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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Both houses of Congress adjourned yesterday for the holidays. —— Senator Morgan addressed the Senate on the isthmian canal question, favoring the Nicaragua route. —— A great irrigation scheme for Mexico is proposed. —— Burglars blew open the safe of Bell Bros., at Reno, S. C., and secured $190. —— President Roosevelt and family are visiting friends at Rapidan, Va. —— The blockade of Venezuelan ports becomes effective to-day. —— President Roosevelt proposes that the Venezuelan dispute be submitted to The Hague Tribunal for arbitration; the powers ask Roosevelt himself to arbitrate the issues —— The postoffice at Batesburg, S. C., raided by burglars Friday night. —— Seven miners were crushed to death at Big Stone Gap, Va. —— The anthracite coal strike commission heard further testimony and adjourned to meet in Philadelphia January 6. —— Coroner's jury in the case of R. C. Whayne, of Louisville, found that his death was accidental. —— W. M. Creech, a factory operative at Bamberg, S. C., was shot and killed by T. W. Pearlstine, a merchant of that place. —— New York markets: Money on call nominal, the market closing at 3½@4 per cent.; cotton quiet at 8 70c; flour quiet but firm; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 80½c; corn—spot firm; No. 2, 62½c; rosin firm; strained, common to good, $1.85@1.90.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 20.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 51 degrees; 8 P. M., 56 degrees; maximum, 63 degrees; minimum, 47 degrees; mean, 55 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .04; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 2 41.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Friday 10 feet and falling.

STORM WARNING.

Southeast storm signals were displayed at 9:30 P. M. at Wilmington and all points north to New York. The storm was then central over the middle Mississippi valley, moving east. Fresh east winds Sunday, with rain, were predicted.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—For North Carolina: Rain Sunday; brisk to high east winds on the coast; fair and colder Monday.

Port Almanac—December 21.

Sun Rises	7.07 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.48 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 41 M.
High Water at Southport	1.05 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	3.35 P. M.

L. B. Hanna, a nephew of Marcus, who went West to grow up with the country is hustling for the United States senatorship from North Dakota.

Beef and other meats have fallen three cents a pound or more, wholesale, in Chicago, as compared with prices last Summer. But it hasn't fallen this way.

An Indiana man, originally from Virginia, who jilted a girl there in 1861, was so worried by remorse of conscience that he went back and married her the other day. And now she will get even with him.

A Maryland boy who thoughtlessly dropped a lighted cigarette into a keg of powder was killed so quick that he never knew what happened to him. But he only got there a little quicker and sooner, that's all.

A contemporary which says Castro is no fool, for, although he has brought England and Germany about his ears, they can hardly reach his body, must think he has monstrous long ears, or a "rubber neck."

The English people have not been very enthusiastic over the action of their government in the Venezuelan matter. The impression of a good many is that Kaiser William roped his uncle Edward into it while he was on that visit to England.

A Western editor who does not believe in vivisection, asks "how would you like to be a guinea pig and have all kinds of experiments tried on you for the benefit of mankind?" We wouldn't like it at all. We wouldn't like to be a guinea pig any way. We'd rather be an elephant or something of that kind, for then we could knock 'em out when they came fooling around with their experiments.

A scientific butter artist has been exhibiting in Philadelphia a new process of making butter, dispensing entirely with the churn. He uses a shallow pan in which is spread something which resembles a Turkish towel, on which is laid a sheet which resembles blotting paper. The cream is spread on this. The fluid quickly filters through and leaves the butter on top, all in about ten seconds. Butter experts pronounce it superior to any other butter made by other processes, and predict that it will revolutionize the butter making industry.

A GREAT MUSICAL EVENT.

Mlle. Zelie de Lussan, Noted Operatic Singer, Coming to Wilmington for an Engagement in January.

The music lovers of the city will be interested in the announcement that on Saturday night, Jan. 10th, Mlle. Zelie de Lussan, the noted operatic singer, will appear as a special number in the Star Course of entertainments at the Y. M. C. A. Mlle. de Lussan is following Mme. Nordica's example of last season and is making a concert tour of the country. Wilmington will be the only city visited in this State. The noted singer will come direct from Charleston, S. C., and among the other Southern points at which she will appear are Savannah, Augusta, Knoxville and Nashville.

The engagement here was secured by an offer of the largest guarantee for a single person who ever came to Wilmington and the public should not be slow to recognize the enterprise of the Star Course management in this particular. Mlle. de Lussan's fame has traversed two continents and her tour of the country promises to rival in splendor that of her predecessor last season, Mme. Nordica. She represents a type at once unique and irresistible, a combination of Spanish subtlery, French chic and American vivacity. She ranks as American greatest soloist and stands at the head of the class.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Spirits turpentine reached 52 cents on the local market yesterday, with receipts of 27 casks.

— A boy who is experienced in feeding job presses may secure employment by immediate application at the Star office.

— Mr. S. E. Memory, the enterprising Whiteville, N. C., merchant, is sending out a handsome calendar for the new year.

— Rev. F. M. Shamburger, the new pastor of Fifth Street M. E. church, will preach to his congregation this morning at 11 o'clock and 7:30 o'clock this evening.

— The Star was in error yesterday in the name of the gentleman who died at Delgado and was sent to Rhode Island for burial. His name was Otto Paul instead of Otto Pane.

— Wilmington and Newbern will meet on the grid-iron of the latter city on Xmas day. The Wilmington team, under the captaincy of Mr. C. S. Hopkins, has been practicing for some time.

— Invitations have been sent to a large number of young people in Wilmington to attend a dance to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones at "Airlie" on Friday night, Dec. 26th.

— Those who wish to donate to the Colored Orphans' Asylum will have an opportunity to do so at Shiloh Baptist church to-day. Rev. Jno. Webb will preach and accept any amount, large or small.

— Glasgow McPherson, a negro employed at the compress, was arrested yesterday by Constable W. B. Savage, charged with the larceny of a watch from Isaac Jones, colored, of "Brooklyn." McPherson was committed to jail for preliminary trial by Justice Fowler to-morrow at noon.

— At the residence of Mr. C. N. Jackson last night at 8 o'clock Justice G. W. Bornemann officiated at the marriage of Miss Carrie Lee White and Mr. Richard H. Dowle. The Justice took along his accordeon and after the ceremony discoursed a number of lively airs for the delectation of the wedding guests.

Marriage License Record.

License was issued yesterday for the marriage of the following couples: Miss Addie Smith, daughter of Mrs. Sallie Smith, of Wilmington, to Mr. F. J. Robinson, of Charlotte; Miss Aleida Kuhl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Kuhl, of Wilmington, to Mr. Geo. A. Smith, of Charlotte, son of Mrs. Sallie Smith, of Wilmington, and Miss Naomi Ruth Bonham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Bonham, of Federal Point township, to Mr. James Newton Russ, of Masonboro.

Great Falls Mfg. Company.

The Rockingham *Anglo-Saxon* quotes Mr. Claude Gore, superintendent of the Great Falls Manufacturing Company, as saying that 3,500 new spindles have been ordered, also new loom and new machinery, which will give one-third increased capacity. In order to make the improvements the capital stock will be increased from $100,000 to $150,000. The buildings will be enlarged and fifteen new tenant houses will be erected.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

N. F. Parker—Xmas offers.
Wm. E. Worth & Co.—Coal.
People's Savings Bank—New year.
Wil. Floral Co.—American beauties
W. B. Cooper—Tobacco fertilizers.
Vollers & Hashagen—"El Capitan."
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—For Christmas.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Wanted—Six sales ladies.
Wanted—Two reliable men.
Wanted—Farm on seacoast.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Gas radiators.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by J. O. Shepard.

TEACHERS' MEETING.

New Hanover County Association Had a Profitable Session Yesterday Morning.

SUSPENSION FOR HOLIDAYS.

Many of the Rural Schools Will Observe Appropriate Exercises for Christmas. Interesting Papers Read Before the Body of Instructors.

The meeting of the New Hanover County Teachers' Association yesterday morning in the Cape Fear Academy building, North Third street, was one of the most pleasant and profitable since the organization was formed a short while ago. Prof. Washington Catlett, the president, was in the chair and Mr. J. P. Herring, the secretary, kept a record of the proceedings. Every white teacher in the public schools of the county, except two, was in attendance upon the exercises as follows: S. V. Bowen, East Wilmington, Miss Louisa P. Moore, Middle Sound; F. M. Foy, Jr., Scott's Hill; Miss Pattie D. Thorne, Wrightsville; E. C. Herring, Greenville; Misses Augusta Wiggins and Reba Myers, Delgado; Miss Bettie D. Herring, Castle Haynes; Matthew Bowen, Acorn Branch.

The meeting lasted for more than two hours. After a few introductory remarks by Prof. Catlett, routine work was disposed of and the programme of exercises was entered into. Prof. Catlett gave the teachers an excellent address upon English Grammar; its importance as a study in the public schools; the best methods of teaching it and the desirability of the use of pure English by children in their everyday life.

"How to Teach Fractions" was a paper replete with new ideas, excellently prepared and read with good effect by Prof. F. M. Foy, Jr., of Scott's Hill.

"How Should a Recitation be Conducted to Hold the Attention of a Class?" was cleverly treated in a splendid paper by Miss Bettie D. Herring. Emphasis was laid upon several points that were new and very desirable in the scoool room.

Owing to the limited time at the disposal of the teachers, the subject of "History," to which no special speaker was assigned, was deferred until a subsequent meeting. Upon each of the subjects treated yesterday, however, there were a number of talks by members of the Association and a number of valuable suggestions were made.

Practically all the schools will suspend exercises Tuesday until January 5th on account of the Xmas holidays. At a number of them there will be interesting closing exercises. The Masonboro school, Mr. J. P. Herring principal, will have an elaborate entertainment and oyster roast on Tuesday night, and the proceeds of same will go to the library fund of the institution. Prof. Catlett will make an address upon the occasion, and Mrs. John Wells, of New York, a talented elocutionist, will recite a number of pleasing selections.

ORDER OF SELECT KNIGHTS.

New Fraternal Organization Enters the Field in Wilmington.

A Legion of the Order, Select Knights, a fraternal beneficiary society, was organized Friday with 103 charter members by State Organizer C. W. Alldredge, of Greensboro, N. C. The officers elected for the ensuing term are as follows:

P. C.—D. T. McCulluch; C.—E. P. Dudley; V. C.—Miss Annie Ramsey; L. T.—H. T. Craig; R. T.—Miss Emma Lord; R.—Miss Kate Costin; T.—Miss Sudie Conway; S. B.—D. H. Brothers, I. G.—W. W. Nichols; O. G.—J. B. Simmons.

Trustees—D. T. McCulluch, P. S. W. Russ and W. E. Watson.

A White Vagrant.

A white tramp, bearing every evidence of the professional hobo and giving a name none less picturesque than John Jones, was arrested yesterday morning at Sixth and Castle streets by Policeman G. R. Holt, who preferred a charge of vagrancy against him. When he was landed at the police station he feigned unconsciousness, but was given an hypodermic injection by the Superintendent of Health, which finally brought him around all right; too late, however, for trial in the municipal court yesterday. Chief Furlong thinks Jones is one of two tramps who have been very insolent in the residence portion of the city during the past few days.

Mr. John Child Dead.

News reached the city yesterday of the death of Mr. John Child, an esteemed citizen living at Farmer's Turnout, near Wilmington. He was 77 years of age and had been in poor health a long time. At one time he resided in Wilmington and conducted an extensive tin business. He leaves to mourn their loss several sons, among whom are Mr. Edgar Child, lately of this city, and Mr. Harold Child, of Norfolk, Va. The family has the sincerest sympathy of numerous friends here.

An Ex-Wilmington Negro.

The Newbern *Journal* of Friday contains an account of a shooting affray in that city last week, in which Charles Fowler, an ex-Wilmington negro, fatally wounded Hilliard Pollock, a Newbern negro. Both were drinking and pulled their weapons about the same time. Fowler escaped.

500 Ladies' ready-to-wear Hats at half price at Gaylord's Racket Store. †

HE STOLE CHAMOIS SKINS.

An Ex-Convict Developed a Penchant for a Valuable Article of Merchandise and Got Into Trouble.

George Stone, colored, a middle-aged negro who has served two terms in the State prison, according to reports, will probably get a third term for some wholesale thieving in which he was overtaken yesterday in Bellamy's drug store, Front and Market streets. Stone exposed for sale at Davis' livery stables a quantity of chamois skin at a ridiculously low price. Mr. Davis was suspicious of the goods offered and telephoned Mr Bellamy after the thief had gone, to know if he had lost any of the material. Mr. Bellamy examined a case in front of the store in which a large quantity of the chamois is usually kept and found that his loss was quite heavy. He furthermore discovered that the description of the negro who had offered the chamois for sale at Mr. Davis' stables, tallied exactly with that of the negro Stone, whom he had seen loitering about the store earlier in the day.

Constable Savage was telephoned of the occurrence and he went out to find the negro with a penchant for chamois. Strange to say Mr. Savage and Policeman D. A. Rowan found Stone almost at the same time. He had returned to Bellamy's drug store, evidently for another supply of the chamois and was arrested forthwith. It was found that he had stolen, first and last, about $20 worth of the material and had sold it at several livery stables in the city.

Stone was committed to jail for trial in Justice Fowler's court to-morrow.

VALISE ROBBED ON TRAIN.

Negro Returning From Turpentine Fields Lost All His Savings—Arrest Here.

Deputy Sheriff J. W. Clark, of Clarkton, N. C., arrived in the city yesterday and took back with him the negro Jim Thomas, arrested Friday by the police on a telegram from the Bladen authorities.

Thomas, who is a Wilmington negro and a son of Harry Thomas, colored, will be tried for the larceny of $143 in cash from Edmond Martin, a Bladen county negro, who was returning from Florida and travelling on the same train with the Wilmington negro. The $143 represented Martin's savings for many months in Florida, and he was on his way home to spend Xmas. He had the money in a valise in the Jim Crow car, which he left for a moment and went into another department. When he returned the valise was cut open and the money gone. Thomas had been to South Carolina to visit his people, and was suspicioned by Martin as the man who took his savings. He got off at Clarkton and had a magistrate to telegraph to Chief Furlong, of Wilmington, to arrest Thomas, which was accomplished.

When searched at the police station here Thomas had $82.25, a razor and several other articles on his person.

KILLED BY AN A. C. L. TRAIN.

White Man Run Over Above Goldsboro Friday Afternoon—Perhaps Suicide.

The north-bound Atlantic Coast Line train Friday morning killed a white man three miles north of Goldsboro. The man was lying with his head on the rail and the wheels passed over his neck, severing the head from the body. The engineer did not see him until the body rolled into the ditch. The train was stopped and the conducter notified the section master, who took care of the remains and notified the coroner, who held an inquest. The section master says that the man had passed him about an hour before he was struck by the train. He said his name was K. L. Brock, and that he lived about three and a half miles of Mt. Olive. The section master says he told Brock that he had nothing for him to do, and that he soon left and went on up the railroad. He says he noticed that the man had a bottle of whiskey in his pocket, but he did not think the fellow was drunk. It is not known whether Brock lay down and went to sleep, or whether he intended to commit suicide. The fact that his head was lying across the track is evidence in support of the suicide theory.

Chapel of Good Shepherd.

Mr. John B. Cannon has taken charge of the work at the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets, and will be here until April, when he will decide whether to remain permanently or return to Sewanee for further study. While a lawyer in Nashville, Tenn., he has been doing mission work in the Episcopal field and is well equipped for the work here. It is hoped that Mr. Cannon will decide to remain here after April. He will conduct services at the Chapel at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. to-day.

Will Repeat Excellent Address.

Rev. R. B. John has been requested to repeat the paper recently read before the North Carolina Historical Society. He will adapt it and give it at Grace church this evening. He will also preach at Grace at 11 A. M. to-day. The subject of Mr. John's address this evening will be "Francis Asbury and Early Methodism in the Cape Fear Section."

Miss Cammie Lord's Xmas Soiree will take place Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, 8:30 P. M., at Germania hall. Price of admittance 10 cents. †

IN A PISTOL DUEL.

Lively Exchange of Compliments Between Two Negroes at Angola Lumber Mill.

CAUSED ALMOST A PANIC.

Colored Men Emptied Their Revolvers at Each Other and Were Preparing for a Second Round — Bystander Shot—Principals Wounded.

A pistol duel between Foster Williams and Balaam Johnson, two negroes employed by the Angola Lumber Company, occurred yesterday evening on the mill yard in the northern section of the city. Both negroes emptied their revolvers at each other and then ran excitedly into the office on the grounds to prepare for a second round, but slight wounds received by each in the first attack and the clerical force in the office compelled them to desist.

The shooting occurred just as the mill closed down for the night and a hundred or more of the laborers were crowding into the yards to be paid off The principals in the shooting had been growling all day at each other while at work and it took only a word to open up the duelling after they came out on the yard. They opened fire at close range and kept up a lively banging until the pistols were empty. Pandemonium reigned in the yard, and the negroes dispersed right and left. Gus Williams, one of the non-combatants, didn't get away until a stray bullet had shattered his arm. Foster Williams, one of the principals, also received a bullet through the arm, and the other principal, Balaam Johnson, was punctured in the stomach. None of the wounds is serious.

When the negroes ran into the office Mr. R. S. Collins, the bookkeeper, Mr. E. L. Holloway, the shipping clerk, and other white men present at the time, took the weapons from them and locked them in a room until officers could arrive. They were placed under arrest and taken to the police station, where Dr. C. T. Harper dressed their wounds. Gus Williams, the non-combatant, who is probably the worst injured, was taken to the Walker Memorial Hospital for surgical attention.

If the wounded negroes are able to appear in court, they will probably be given a preliminary hearing by Mayor Waddell to-morrow. They are both residents of Wilmington and it is said that bad blood has existed between them for some time.

REMAINS ARRIVED LAST NIGHT.

Funeral of the Late John Baker, Jr., This Afternoon—Lodgemen Invited.

The remains of the late Mr. John Baker, Jr., who died at his home in Montgomery, Ala., early Friday morning, reached Wilmington on the Charleston train last midnight, accompanied by Mr. William Nicstlie, a brother-in-law of the deceased. The casket was taken to the residence of Mr. Baker's father, No. 702 Dock street, from whence the funeral will be conducted by Rev. Dr. A. G. Voigt this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock; thence to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church.

The deceased gentleman was a member of Orinoco Tribe No. 79, Improved Order of Red Men, Norfolk, Va., and Mozart Lodge No. 23, Knights of Pythias, Montgomery, Ala. Members of these orders in Wilmington are requested to attend the funeral ceremonies.

A CHRISTMAS INVESTMENT.

An Appeal to the Associated Charities by Dr. Blackwell.

"The silver is mine and the gold is mine saith the Lord of Hosts." Money is character, and what a man does with his money reveals his character. Most of us either invest our money unwisely, spend it wastefully, or hoard it covetously. In either case we hide the Lord's silver and gold down in the earth instead of putting it out to use for Him. Money buys food, heals diseases, builds houses, prints books, imparts knowledge, spreads education, moves commerce, augments happiness, humanizes life, promotes religion, helps the poor and helpless. If you are seeking for an investment that will bring you the highest interest, give you the best security, and yield you the most satisfaction, consider prayerfully God's poor. The Associated Charities will be pleased to act as your agents and put your money where it will do the most good among the two hundred and twenty needy ones on their roll. Address J. H. Boatwright, treasurer; Miss Carrie L. Price, secretary.

CALVIN S. BLACKWELL, Pres.

Died in Marine Hospital.

John Hales, white, 50 years old and a seaman on the United States steamer *Cape Fear*, stationed at Southport, died yesterday in the Marine Hospital of chronic inflammation of the liver. He had been an inmate of the hospital since Dec. 24th, 1901, but formerly lived at 305 Wright street. He was a native of Edgecombe county, N. C., and leaves a number of relatives in the city. Mr. Hales was buried yesterday in Oak Grove cemetery.

— Mr. W. H. Ernest left yesterday to spend a few days with his family near Savannah, Ga.

Rebder's Big Department Store presented a busy scene the past week. Extra salesmen will be employed for this week to wait on the throng that always go to the Big Store. †

Gaylord's business is double what it was last year and he has no time to write advertisement. New Dress Goods coming in all the time. Visit his store before buying elsewhere. †

LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE.

Every Share of Additional Stock Subscribed For—A. C. L. Subscription Rights Demanded a Premium.

A press dispatch from Baltimore, dated Friday, says:

"A flurry in the stock and subscription rights of the Atlantic Coast Line created considerable interest in local financial circles to-day. The stock, which closed yesterday at 129½, opened to day with a sale at 135, and the next sale at 140 an advance of over 10 points from yesterday. This was followed by a reaction of 133.

"The subscription rights for the new stock to be issued to raise the $10,000,000 cash to be applied in part payment for the purchase of control of the Louisville & Nashville were in demand. Yesterday the final sale was at 1½ per cent. or $175 for the rights on 100 shares of the present stock. The first sale to-day was at 2½ and the price advanced to 4, or 400 for the rights on 100 shares. This was followed by a reaction of 2½ per cent. The stockholders can subscribe to the new stock to the amount of 40 per cent. of their holdings, and the purchaser of the rights on 100 shares would buy the privilege of taking 40 shares of the new stock at $125 a share. The top price to-day of 4 indicates a premium of $10 a share for the new stock.

"The explanation given of the flurry is that the stock and the rights had been unduly depressed. Estates not having reinvestment funds to take the new stock offered the rights for sale, and tight money caused some stockholders to forego the privilege. The liquidation of marginal holdings of stock created a greater supply than could be absorbed, and prices weakened.

"While the bulk of buying to-day was for Baltimore and the South, there were some New York purchases."

BALTIMORE, MD., Dec. 20.—It was announced to-day by officials of the Atlantic Coast Line that every share of additional stock required for the purchase of the Louisville and Nashville railroad has been subscribed by stockholders of the former company this afternoon. The underwriting syndicate formed by J. P. Morgan & Co. will not be called upon. The first payment of 25 per cent. was made to-day at the Safe Deposit and Trust Company, fiscal agent for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, and amounts to $2,656,250. The other 75 per cent. amounting to $7,968,750, will be paid February 14, 1903. This is a total of $1,625,000 in cash and is derived from a sale of 85,000 shares of stock at 125 a share.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mrs. W. H. Stone, of Little River, S. C., is the guest of relatives in the city.

— Miss Maude Bulluck is at home from Salem Female Academy to spend the holidays.

— Miss Mary Post is at home from the Richmond Woman's College to spend the holidays.

— Mr. P. H. Sears, of the Whiteville Lumber Co., arrived last night to spend Sunday in the city.

— Mrs. Jno. H. Gore, Jr., and little daughter left yesterday for Suffolk, Va., to spend the holidays.

— Solicitor Duffy left yesterday to spend the holidays at his home a Catherine Lake, Onslow county.

— Master Leroy Croom is at home from school to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Croom.

— Miss Rena Mills returned yesterday from college at Greensboro and will spend the holidays at home with her parents.

— Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Murphy, of Memphis, Tenn., are in the city to spend the holidays with Mrs. Murphy's mother, Mrs. R. J. Bunting.

— Dr. Jos. D. Hanby arrived yesterday from Paris, Texas, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. H. Hanby.

— Mr. Frank P. Turrentine arrived last night from Charleston and was given the "warm mit" by many of his friends. He hopes to be at "home" for the holidays.

— Mr. J. Henry Bornemann, Jr., a student of the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, left yesterday for New York city, where he will spend the holidays with relatives.

— Misses Sadie Williams and Louise and Ida Evans returned yesterday from St. Mary's school to spend the holidays at home. Miss Williams has as her charming guests, Misses Johnson and Jones, of Raleigh.

— Among the home coming collegians for the holidays are Messrs. Wm. P. Emerson and Harry West, from Horner's; H. G. Foard, from Trinity; Gilbert Voigt, from Newberry College; Charles Mendlesohn, from the University of Pennsylvania, and Messrs. Geo. Catlett, Louis Moore and Joseph Armstrong, from the University of North Carolina.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of JOHN BAKER, JR., will take place to-day at 2:30 P. M. from the house and thence to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, where the services will be held at 3 P. M. Interment at Bellevue Cemetery. Deceased was a member of Orinoco Tribe No. 79, Red Men, of Norfolk, and Mozart Lodge No. 23, K. of P., of Montgomery, Ala. Members of Wilmington Lodges are requested to attend. Friends and acquaintances invited.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Tobacco Fertilizers.

1,186 Bags 8-4-4 Guano.
1,293 Bags 8-3-3 Guano.
1,411 Bags 8-2-2 Guano.
1,841 Bags Pure Kainit.
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1,897 Bags C. S. Meal.

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Opposite the Postoffice.
H. C. McQUEEN, President. JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, Vice President.
dec 16 tf F. W. DICK, Cashier.

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WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 21.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

The Raleigh *News and Observer* of last Sunday published an interesting article by T. M. Robertson on the subject of education in general but industrial education in particular, a subject in which this State is becoming much interested with the progress being made in the manufacturing industries. No one who knows anything about this State, about its varied resources, its combination of mountain, hill and plane, and varied forest growth, &c., can doubt for a moment that it is destined to become one of the great manufacturing States of this country, not only in a few but in many lines. This makes the industrial training of our young men, and young women, too, a matter of vast importance. We quote that part of Mr. Robertson's article bearing directly upon this. He says:

Most of the industrial progress of the State has been made without the assistance of specially educated men, but not all of it. In the cotton mills of the State are to be found many men who have had special school training. But new conditions are arising in the manufacturing business and they cannot be met by old methods. Competition is sharper, machinery is growing more complicated and processes are becoming more scientific. Manufacturers must have men educated according to these new conditions or their business will cease to grow, if it does not die. The great industrial centers of the country are realizing the necessity of scientific help and we find that in New England, New York, Pennsylvania and other sections of the country there are springing up technical schools. North Carolina needs just such schools, and if she is to progress she must have them. A beginning has been made in the Agricultural and Mechanical College, but half enough has not been done. The equipment of this school is not half what it should be. The State has not been as liberal as it should have been, and private individuals have not come to its support as they should. A splendid textile school has been opened, but it is not near what it should be. The textile manufacturers of the State could not invest a hundred thousand dollars in any enterprise that would bring as rich returns as a first class, up-to-date textile school. The textile manufacturers of New England have invested hundreds of thousands of dollars in textile schools. The manufacturers in Philadelphia have built and equipped one of the finest textile schools in the world, and the State of Pennsylvania has shown a very liberal spirit toward this school. These people have found that such schools pay. It they pay in those places will they not pay here? Our young men are going to these schools, and our manufacturers are glad to have them go. Would it not be better to have just as good schools at home? We would thereby keep our money and our young men both at home.

This State is full of bright boys who may in time become "captains of industry" if they have a fair chance. We can't give them all an industrial education, but we can give it to many and these in turn may become the instructors of others who were not so fortunate as they were in securing the advantages of school training in regular, thorough course.

When Bismarck undertook the task of making Germany a manufacturing as well as an agricultural country, he began right by providing for the establishment of industrial training schools, where the young men who were to take part in building up the industrial empire were trained by industrial experts, employed by the Government, and the result was that in a few years these schools turned out hundreds of young men thoroughly equipped and competent not only to work and direct, but to teach others how to do what they had been taught. The result has been thousands of skilled workmen, and the transformation of Germany from an almost strictly agricultural country into one of the first manufacturing countries of Europe and one whose reputation for excellence, and thoroughness is second to none, so much so that the German brand on goods is looked upon as a certificate of character in other European countries, even in those which compete with Germany. And this was made possible by her industrial trainschools, without which it would have taken that country several generations, if she could do it then, to accomplish what she did in one.

But the day for argument in support of such schools has passed, that is no longer necessary, for we have had too many object lessons showing their utility and value. If there were no other proof of it the fact that men like Andrew Carnegie and H. C. Frick propose to spend millions of dollars in establishing technological institutes in Pittsburg would be sufficient.

We have no Carnegies, no Fricks in North Carolina, with millions to expend in that way, and North Carolina is not rich enough to be lavishly liberal, but there are men of wealth enough in the State to be able to contribute enough with what the State appropriates to make the industrial school at Raleigh a first-class one, in which there may be thorough training not only in the textile industries, but also in wood, iron and other industries, for some day we will want to manufacture our cotton mill machinery instead of buying it in other States. There is not, probably, a cotton mill in the State which could not find profitable employment for more skilled labor than it has, and the same is doubtless true of the furniture manufacturing business, which is becoming such an important one. These are but two—two leading ones, it is true, but there are many industries in the State where skilled laborers would be welcomed and find steady and profitable employment, in which, as we have remarked above, they would not only be valuable workers but valuable teachers as well. Every trained workman turned out becomes to some extent the trainer of others.

There is a man, President Winston, now at the head of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, of which the industrial school is a part, who, if he have reasonable co-operation, and reasonable means, will make that school not of only State but of national prominence, which would draw to it students from many States. We should keep our eye on Georgia, for that State is alive to the value and importance of technological education.

TOBACCO GROWERS IN COUNCIL.

That was a large meeting of the tobacco growers at Rocky Mount, Friday, and judging from the report of proceedings they seemed to be impressed with the necessity of concert of action to protect the tobacco growing industry from ruin.

The consolidation of the American Tobacco Trust and the English Trust has practically eliminated competition, and left the tobacco growers in its hands, forced to take such prices as it makes, provided the growers are forced to sell, and there be enough tobacco on the market to meet the demands of the Trust in supplying its customers. Before the consolidation the English Trust had buyers in our markets and prices were up, but with the consolidation came the end of competition, prices fell and they are now a third less than they were a couple of months ago, with the result that the anticipated profits of of the farmers who held their tobacco have vanished. If there should be a large crop next year it will be worse, and the planter will probably find himself worse off at the end of the year than when he planted his crop.

The thoughtful men among them realize that their only safety is in limited acreage, in keeping the output somewhere in the neighborhood of the demand for consumption, and making tobacco not the first but the subordinate consideration on the farm. This need not interfere with the progress of the industry; it simply means fewer acres, better cultivated and better handled crops, with higher prices, less labor and expense, fewer chances of failure and indebtedness that those who fail will find it onorous to pay.

Tobacco growing is an exacting industry, it requires constant watchfulness and labor, it costs money for fertilizers, barns, curing machinery, etc., and it takes time and experience to become expert in its manipulation. It is a crop which, consiging the labor and attention it requires and the chances taken, ought to pay well, and therefore they who follow it ought to act wisely and not contribute to their own undoing by bad management and working blindly. There should be cooperation, and the sooner there is and the more general it is the better it will be for the tobacco growers of the State and for every one else, for they cannot suffer without others suffering, and if they prosper others will reap benefit from their prosperity.

ARBITRATION TALK.

There is now more talk of arbitration than anything else in the Venezuelan matter. England seems to be favorable to it, and Germany also, although she is somewhat more punctilious and exacting than England. She wants apologies for insulted dignity, &c. Italy, the "me too" character in the play, will agree to whatever is acceptable to the star players. The main point with all of them is to have a bondsman for Venezuela, who can be looked to in the event that Venezuela jumps the claims awarded by the arbitrators.

They would like to have Uncle Sam put himself in that position, but while he is disposed to be accommodating to them and friendly to Venezuela he can't well do that, for if he assumed liability for the claims held by the three bill collectors, other nations having claims might insist that he do the same for them, and that would be taking on a pretty hefty load, and would establish a precedent that Uncle Sam might be expected to follow in the case of other South American Republics, in the event that European powers undertake to collect claims from them by summary process.

But it is intimated that while the United States Government does not feel disposed to stand sponsor for Venezuela, it would not be averse to American financiers going in as a sort of middlemen, and would encourage that, which means, we suppose, that it would favor American money lenders accommodating Venezuela with the cash to pay the bills assessed against her by the arbitrators.

If the matter was turned over to J. Pierpont Morgan, with the understanding that an acceptable board of arbitrators would be secured, he would probably fix up an internation syndicate in short order that would settle up the whole business in a tenth of the time the bill collectors could do it, and when they did they would have a pretty tight grip on valuable considerations in the way of equivalents for accommodations and risks.

A pie in the Loop family, of Kokomo, Indiana, cost old man Noah $400. He had boys and married a widow who had boys, so there was a complication of step-mother and two sets of boys. There was pie for dinner one day, when one of the Loop boys reached for the biggest slice, which Mrs. Loop the second wanted for her kid, and rebuked the other boy by rapping him on the arm hard enough to break it. This riled the old man, who sued for divorce and got it, but had to pay $400 alimony.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

— Louisburg *Times*: We learn that revenue officers captured two "moonshine" distilleries near Flat Rock church, this county, one day this week. One of them, it is said, was in full blast, at which a negro was captured and taken to Raleigh.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: Mr. A. M. Crowell has taken a census of the school children of Monroe. There are 816 children of school age in the town, 531 white and 285 colored. There are 37 white children who cannot read and write and nearly all of them are under eight years of age.

— Lumberton *Robesonian*: Mr. J. S. Humphrey, who was in town the first of the week, tells us that the farmers in the upper end of the county are using more grain drills than heretofore. This means that more grain is being planted, which is a good indication of more prosperous farming and the employment of better methods.

— Newbern *Journal*: Vegetables are exceedingly plentiful now in town. Turnips are hauled around town for thirty cents a bushel, potatoes sell from the boats at forty cents, and cabbages are equally as cheap. Yesterday a colored man was seen peddling a load of collards which he begged some one to give hime one cent apiece.

— Rockingham *Anglo Saxon*: The Great Fall Manufacturing Company had its charter amended a few days ago, authorizing an increase of capital stock from $100,000 to $150,000. We learn from Mr. Claude Gore, superintendent, that the increase of $50,000 is to be devoted to enlarging their plant. They have given order 3,500 new spindles, and looms and other machinery in proportion, which will increase their capacity more than a third. This will, of course, necessitate enlarged buildings. Fifteen new tenant houses will be erected at once.

— Nashville *Graphic*: At a logging camp of the Dennis-Simmons Lumber Co., in Jacksons township Sunday afternoon was the scene of another shooting affair which necessitated an investigation by Coronor Griffin. The settlement is question is where about twenty negroes are camped. Sunday afternoon two negroes named Moses Moore and John Jackson became involved in a difficulty over a woman named Rosa Perkins. Things reached fever hest and a fight ensued wherein both men used their pistols freely. Moore fled, Jackson supposing he had taken to the woods. Jackson then got his shot gun and began searching for Moore. After visiting several of the houses in the settlement he went to Moore's shanty, pushed open the door and seeing his victim poured a load of shot into him. To make assurances doubly sure Jackson reloaded his gun and shot Moore a second time. Jackson then fled. It was learned he went to Wilson, where he boarded a train for parts unknown. —— A party of machinists have been here for the past few days loading machinery taken from the old Mann Arrington gold mine at Argo. We learn that there will be no further attempt to develop this property on account of little pay. Thousands of dollars have been expended on this property within the past fifteen years, and at one time the yield was good and brought handsome returns. The opinion prevails among persons acquainted with the property that there is still much ore to be found, but to extract it would cost considerable, probably more than the returns. The machinery will be shipped to some point in Pennsylvania.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— Mr. Roosevelt would have gone back into the White House with a single leap if he had done the Cleveland act with regard to the present South American affair.—*Norfolk Ledger, Dem.*

—— Is it not something of a farce to court-martial an officer in Manila for cruelty to Filipinos? Great expense has been incurred and some convictions secured, but the punishment did not fit the crime. Even when the victims were our own men, "retirement" only meant a life of ease with no work, and the taxation of the people. The subordinate pleads orders, then the superior is tried at great length and "retired."—*Jacksonville Times Union, Dem.*

—— The notion that we can find room for 9,000,000 American negroes in Hawaii and the Philippines is as nonsensical as the deportation of them would be cruel and suicidal. What business have we to quarter part of our population on another people? What right have we to congest the population of our colonies, that are already far more closely packed than the parent country? But this folly isn't worth discussing. — *Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

—— Members of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission were justly indignant over the testimony of some little girls, 11 to 13 years old, who work long hours, some of them all night, in the coal regions. But there is a law in this State making the employment of children under 13 years of age unlawful, and it is the duty of the public officials to enforce it. The suggestion by members of the commission that there should be a law against the employment at night work of children is a wise one, and the Legislature should act on the recommendation.—*Philadelphia Press, Rep.*

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Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally like itself is the price of a mistake, but you will never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle, yet thorough. 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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DON'T FORGET THE OLD FOLKS.

WILL T. HALE.

Nay, don't forget the old folks, boys—
they've not forgotten you;
Though years have passed since you were home, the old hearts still are true;
And not an evening passes by they haven't the desire
To see your faces once again and hear your footsteps nigher.

You're young and buoyant and for you Hope beckons with her hands,
And life spreads out a waveless sea that laps but tropic strands;
The world is all before your face, but let your memories turn
To where fond hearts still cherish you and loving bosoms yearn.

No matter what your duties are nor what your place in life,
There's never been a time they'd not assume your load of strife;
And shrunken shoulders, trembling hands, and forms racked by disease,
Would bravely dare the grave to bring to you the pearl of peace.

So don't forget the old folks, boys—
they've not forgotten you;
Though years have passed since you were home, the old hearts still are true;
And write them now and then to bring the light into their eyes,
And make the world glow once again and bluer gleam the skies.
—*Tennessee Farmer.*

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Services at Seamen's Bethel this afternoon commencing at 3 o'clock conducted by Rev. Dr. McClure. The public invited.

St. James' church: Holy communion, 7:45 A. M.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 A. M. Sunday school, 3:30 P. M. Evening prayer, 5 P. M.

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor, 11 A. M "The Star of Bethlehem." 7:30 P. M. The Convention sermon repeated by request.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, Rev. C. W. Kegley pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. Services at 7:30 P. M. Every person welcome.

Second Advent church, Sixth and Church streets, Rev. J. P. King pastor. Services each Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Tuesday night, 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, 3 P. M. Public cordially invited. Seats free.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. A. G. Voigt pastor. English services to-day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Communion at the morning service. Preparatory service at 10:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Everybody cordially invited.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Murchison bank building on Chesnut street. Services this Sunday at 11 o'clock A. M. and 8 P. M. Subject of Lesson sermon, "Is the Universe, including Man, evolved by Atomic Force?" All are invited.

Brooklyn A. C. Mission, corner of Fourth and Bladen streets. Services Sunday at 11 A. M., subject: "Discipleship; 7:30 P. M., subj ct: "The Seven Churches Prophetic." Miss Maud Bulluck will sing a solo. Sunday school at 10 A. M. All are invited. Elder G. C. Minor, pastor.

St. John's church, Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., rector, fourth Sunday in Advent; holy communion 7:45 A. M., morning prayer and sermon 11 o'clock, Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Christmas day, holy communion 8 A. M., morning prayer 11 o'clock.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Nothing but infinite pity is sufficient for the infinite pathos of human life.—*Oliphant.*

— A holy life has a voice; it speaks when the tongue is silent, and silent, and is either a constant attraction or a perpetual reproof.—*Hinton.*

— Extraordinary afflictions are not always the punishment of extraordinary sins, but sometimes the trial of extraordinary graces. — Matthew Henry.

— Money is a good thing, but not the chief thing; it is as far below the grace of God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as an old sedgefield is below the stars.

— The art of saying appropriate words in a kindly way is one that never goes out of fashion, never ceases to please, and is within the reach of the humblest.—*Faber.*

— If you wish success in life, make perseverance your bosom friend, experience your wise counsellor, caution your elder brother, and hope your guardian genius.—*Addison.*

— The way to profit by reading the Scriptures is to apply to ourselves that which is spoken in general to all; this truth, this command, this threat, this promise, this intimation is to me.—*T. Wilson, D. D.*

— Do you believe that the Gospel was intended for the whole world, or do your actions show that you believed it was intended only for those who were fortunate enough to be born in a land of Bibles?

— The subject of heart purity pervades the whole Scripture and could be supported by a thousand direct quotations. For us to claim that no one can attain purity of heart is to charge God with inconsistency in requiring the impossible.—*Rev. Alonzo Monk.*

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. B. JOHN, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Grace Dec 21.
Scott's Hill, Prospect, Dec. 27, 28.
Burgaw, Rocky Point, Jan. 3, 4.
Southport, Jan. 11, 12.
Shallotte, Concord, Jan. 13.
Town Creek, —— Jan. 14.
Waccamaw, Shiloh, Jan. 17, 18.
Whiteville, Whiteville, Jan. 18, 19.
Magnolia, Providence, Jan. 24, 25.
Clinton, Clinton, Jan. 30.
Kenansville, Friendship, Jan. 31, Feb 1.
Bladen, Bethlehem, Feb. 7, 8.
Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, Feb. 9
Carver's Creek, Council Station Feb. 10.
Onslow, Queen's Creek, Feb. 14, 15.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb 21, 22.

District Stewards will please meet in the Ladies' Parlor, Grace church, Wilmington, Tuesday Dec. 30th, at 1 o'clock.

Missionary Institute will be held at Grace church Feb. 4th and 5th, 1903.

District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 5 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th, 1903.

— "I tell you, I'll be boss of my own house when I'm a man!" said little Bennie. "That's what your father thought when he was your age, Bennie," replied the boy's mother.—*Yonkers Statesman*

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TWINKLINGS

— She—Do you think my cooking is economical? He—Why, yes, your bread lasts much longer than does the cook's.—*Judge.*

— "You can't go home when it's raining like this. You had better stay and have dinner with us!" "Oh, it's not so bad as that!"—*Golden Days.*

— "What is a synonym?" asked a teacher. "Please sir," said a lad, "it's a word you can use in place of another if you don't know how to spell it."

— "Well, Johnnie, what are you going to give your little brother for Christmas?" "I dunno. I gave him the measles last year."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "What was the cause of their divorce—incompatability of temper?" "Oh, no;" incompatability of his income and her out-go."—*Baltimore Herald.*

— "Both those lords are after her, and she doesn't know which to accept." "Isn't one as good as the other?" "Yes; but she can't tell in advance which is the cheaper."

— Customer—The metal in that knife you sold me is as soft as putty. It got dull the first time I used it. Dealer—Y-e-s, but think how easy it will be to sharpen."—*N. Y. Weekly.*

— "I heah you' son's been 'rested, Mrs. Jonson." "Yas; but I like you to know he 'rested fu' a gentleman's 'musement. De perlice say he done shoot craps outer season."—*Washington Times.*

— Mrs. Von Blumer—The doctor told me to day that my vitality was at its lowest ebb between 4 and 5 in the morning. Von Blumer—That's the reason I always try to get home about that time.—*Town Topics.*

— "Yes," said the landlady, "that is the piece of turkey my poor dear husband was always so fond of." "I wish," replied Mr. Starboarder, struggling with it desperately: "I wish he had lived to finish it."—*Kansas City Journal.*

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., December 21.

STEAMSHIPS.

Zeeburg, (Dutch) 1,958 tons, Stasse, Heide & Co.
Riverton, (Br) 2,236 tons, Williams, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Harbart, (Br) 2,149 tons, Bowling, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Lady Shee, (Br) 151 tons, Munro, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Havslock, (Br) 212 tons, Beery, J T Riley & Co.
Mabel Darling, (Br) 111 tons, Sweeting, J A Springer & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—384 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 42 barrels tar, 27 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—1,053 bales cotton, 68 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—1,063 bales 162 barrels tar, 35 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—348 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 275 barrels rosin, 74 barrels tar.

Steamer Compton—22 bales cotton, 11 casks spirits turpentine.

Steamer Whitlock—1 bale cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 25 barrels rosin, 94 barrels tar, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Black River—250 barrels rosin, 20 barrels tar.

Total—2,570 bales cotton, 27 casks spirits turpentine, 550 barrels rosin, 460 barrels tar, 66 barrels crude turpentine.

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Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Mass., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once, and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing of the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, December 20.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 52c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.35 per barrel for strained and $1.40 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.75 per barrel for hard, $3.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine steady at 36¼@35½; rosin firm at $1.00@1.05; tar steady at $1.20; crude turpentine steady at $1.10 @2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	27
Rosin	550
Tar	460
Crude turpentine	66

Receipts same day last year—15 casks spirits turpentine, 91 barrels rosin, 363 barrels tar, 47 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5⅝	cts. ₩ lb
Good ordinary	7	" "
Low middling	7⅝	" "
Middling	8	" "
Good middling	8 13-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 7⅞c for middling.

Receipts—2,870 bales; same day last year, 2,927.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm, Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 10@11c.

EGGS—Firm at 21@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 12½@25c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 10@11c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Money on call was nominal; no loans to-day, the market closing at 3½@4 per cent.; time money steady—60 days and 90 days, 6 per cent.; six months 5½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 6 per cent. Sterling exchange barely steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486 50@486.625 for demand and 482.75@483 for sixty days. The posted rates were 484 and 487½. Commercial bills 482½@483¼. Bar silver 48¾. Mexican dollars 38¼. Government bonds steady. State bonds—no report. Railroad bonds firm. U. S. funding 2's, registered, 107¾; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 108¼; U. S 3's, registered, 107½; do. coupon, 107¾; U. S. 4's, new registered, 135; do. coupon, 135; U. S. 5's, old, registered, 108½; do. coupon, 109½; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon, 103¾; Southern Railway, 5's, 116¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 98¾. Chesapeake & Ohio 46¾; Manhattan L 146½; New York Central 153¾; Reading 61¾; do. 1st preferred 86; do. 2nd preferred 76¾; St. Paul 173½; do. pref'd, 192; Southern Railway 31⅛; do. pref'd 92; Amalgamated Copper ex dividend 57¾; People's Gas 101⅛; Sugar 137¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 56; U. S. Leather 12; do. pref'd, 87½; Western Union ex div 87½; U. S. Steel 34½; do. pref'd 84½; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 59; do. preferred, 122½; Standard Oil, 686@690.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 20.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 25¾@25⅞; do. preferred, 42¾ asked; bonds, fours, 83¾

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Rosin firm. Strained common to good $1 85@1 90. Spirits turpentine firm at 54½@55c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 20.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 20.—Spirits turpentine quoted firm at 52c; receipts 692 casks; sales 722 casks; exports 438 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 3,145 barrels; sales 538 barrels; exports 5,869 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 45, E, $1 50; F, $1 55; G, $1 70; H, $2 00; I, $2 35; K $2 85; M, $3 35; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80; W W, $4 20.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The cotton market opened steady at one and three points advance and ruled fairly active for a time on small estimates as to port receipts and forecasts of a comparatively small "in sight" movement for the week, the latter being placed at 360,000 bales against 387,677 last year, 239,927 the year before last and 259,174 in 1899. Later there was an easier feeling under selling to secure profits which was led by New Orleans orders. Again the market turned firmer on public demand which reflected the influence of yesterday's week-end statistics. The January situation continues to be a disturbing feature, regarding the outcome of which widely conflicting rumors are current. A large commission house chiefly absorbed the early offerings, mainly in the way of covering short accounts. There was some Wall street support and a fairly active European demand for the nearer positions, stimulated by a less favorable average to the weather in the cotton belt and especially in view of the low temperature in the West and rains in the central sections. While night messages gave firm indications regarding the position of spot cotton with demand from exporters fairly active, toward noon the market ruled steady and about a point net advance.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Cotton quiet at 8.70c; net receipts 308 bales; gross receipts 3,839 bales; stock 142,469 bales.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands 8.70; middling gulf 8 95c; sales 1,972 bales.

Cotton futures market closed steady; December 8.53, January 8 55, February 8.33, March 8.35, April 8 34, May 8.36, June 8.38, July 8.37, August 8.19, September 7.96, October 7.87.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 36,673 bales; exports to Great Britain 9,536 bales; exports to France 15,716 bales; exports to the Continent 15,855 bales: stock 1,050,538 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 36,673 bales; exports to Great Britain 9,536 bales; exports to France 15,716 bales; exports to the Continent 15,855 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 4,454,096 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,378,284 bales; exports to France 353,355 bales; exports to the Continent 1,340,881 bales

Dec. 20.—Galveston, firm at 8 5-16c, net receipts 9,375 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8 5-16c, net receipts 9,375 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¾c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8.70, net receipts 19 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8c, net receipts 2,870 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 8.95c, net receipts 889 bales; Savannah, steady at 8½c, net receipts 5,575 bales; New Orleans, firm at 8¼c, net receipts 8,644 bales; Mobile, quiet at 8 1-16c, net receipts 2,346 bales; Memphis, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 2,788 bales; Augusta, steady at 8¾c, net receipts 2,621 bales; Charleston, firm at 8 1-16, net receipts 2,346 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Flour was quiet but firm; Winter patents $3 60 @3 90; Minnesota patents $4 00@4 20. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 80¾c. Options closed at ¼@⅝c net advance: May 81½c; July closed 78¾c; December closed 83¾c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 62½c. Options closed firm and ½@⅝c net higher: January closed 54¼c; March closed 51½c; May closed 48¾c; July closed —; December closed 60c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 37c. Options were dull but firm with corn. Sales included: December closed 39½c. Lard steady; Western steam $10 70; refined quiet; continent $10 90; South American $11 50; compound 7¾@7¾c. Pork steady; family $18 00; short clear $21 00@23 00; mess $18 00@18 50. Butter steady; extra creamery 30c; State dairy 20@28. Cheese firm; new State full cream, small colored fancy, September 13¾@13¾c; small white September 13¾c. Peanuts quoted steady; fancy hand picked 4¼@4¾c; other domestic 3@4¼c. Cabbages firm; domestic, per 100, white $2 00@4 00; red $2 50@5 00. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No 7 invoice 5¾; mild steady; Cordova 7½@12. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3 7-16c; centrifugal, 96 test 3 15-16c; confectioner's $4 70; mould A $5 10, cut loaf $5 45; crushed $5 45; powdered $4 95; granulated $4 85; cubes $5 10, refined steady. Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 12. Eggs dull, weak; State and Pennsylvania average best 28c Potatoes quoted steady; Long Island $2 00@2 30; South Jersey sweets $2 50@3 75; Jerseys $1 75@2 05; New York and Western per 180 lbs, $1 50 @2 20. Molasses firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 32@40c. Tallow dull; city ($2 per package) 2¾c; country (packages free) 6@6¼c. Rice firm; domestic, fair to extra 4¼@6¾c; Japan 4¼@5¼c, nominal. Cotton seed oil closed firm in tone and unchanged: Prime crude here nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 31c bid; prime summer yellow 39@40c; off summer yellow 38c; prime white 41@42c; prime winter yellow 42c; prime meal $27 00@27 50, nominal.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Cash prices: Flour quiet, steady: winter patents $3 40 @3 50; straights $3 10@3 30; spring patents $3 40@3 70; straights $2 90@3 20; bakers' $2 25@2 75. Wheat—No 2 spring 74@76c; No. 3 spring 72@74½c; No. 2 red 73¾@74¾c. Corn—No. 2 45¾c; No. 2 yellow 45¾c. Oats—No. 2 31½c; No. 3 white 32½c. Rye —No. 2 48¾. Mess pork, per barrel, $17 00. Lard, per 100 lbs, $10 25@10 30. Short rib sides, loose, closed $8 37½@8 62½. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 25@8 50. Short clear side, boxed, $8 62½@9 87½ Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 32.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 73¾, 74¾, 73¾, 74¾c; May 77½@77¾, 77¾, 77, 77¾c; July 74, 74¾@74¾, 73¾, 74¾ @74¾c. Corn—No. 2 December 46¾ @46¾, 46¾, 45¾, 45¾c; January 45¾ @46, 46, 45¾, 45¾c; May 43¾@43¾, 43¾, 43¾@43¾c. Oats—No 2 December, new, 31¾, 31¾, 31¾, 31¾c; May 33¾, 33¾, 33¾, 33¾@33¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—December $16 50, 16 62½, 16 50, 16 60; May $15 77½, 16 00, 15 77½, 15 97½. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $10 30, 10 30, 10 25, 10 25; January $9 77½, 9 82½, 9 77½, 9 82½; May $9 17½, 9 25, 9 17½, 9 25. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 40, 8 45, 8 45, 8 45; May $8 37½, 8 50, 8 37½, 8 50.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 20.—Cotton: Spot quiet, prices two points higher; American middling fair 5.16d; good middling 4.68d; middling 4.54d; low middling 4.42d; good ordinary 4.30d; ordinary 4.18d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 6,500 bales American. Receipts 8,000 bales, including 7,800 bales American.

Futures opened steady and closed dull but steady; American middling (g o c) December 4.50@4.51d; December and January 4.50d; January and February 4.50d; February and March 4.50d; March and April 4.50@4.51d; April and May 4.51d; May and June 4.51@4.52d; June and July 4.51d; July and August 4.51@4.52d; August and September 4.46@4.47d.

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RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$196,723 67	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	400 00	Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,627 84
Cash on hand, Due from Banks	3,019 68	Accrued interest due to depositors	475 00
		Deposits	145,000 51
	$200,143 35		$200,143 35

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FRANK H. STEDMAN, Sheriff, New Hanover County.

NAME.	Block	LOT,	Tax and Cost.
A			
WHITE			
Abbott, Elizabeth T.	92	w 1 2 3	7 94
Ahrens, Mrs. C. M. R.	306	w ½ 1	
do do ..	323	w ½ 1 5	
do do ..	346	all 1 2	41 54
COLORED			
Allen, Andrew J.	541	s e 6	
do do	541	n w ½ 1	4 53
Anderson, H. J.	70	e p 4	4 62
Artis, W. T.	336	w p 2	2 34
B			
WHITE			
Baggett, J. F.	88	s w 3	6 38
Bailey, E. P.	128	w 5 6	56 91
Best, R W.	307	e 4	10 43
Biddle, hrs Julia A.	78	w p 1 2 3	5 66
Bierman, H J	320	w 3 5	17 07
Bishop, Mrs. Jasper.	196	w ½ 3	13 02
Blake, A E.	66	e 4 5	12 92
Bowden, hrs SC.	181	w end 5	17 49
Brown, John	540	pt 4	4 45
do Mrs T C	324	e m 4 5	
do do	340	w pt 1	8 97
Bryan, Nancy M.	38	s w ¼ 4	2 34
Butler, Mrs H W.	156	w end 5	4 91
Boatwright, Annie T.	129	w 1	98 28
do Victor T.	129	p end 2	11 26
Bolles, Miss H P.	147	w m 6 6 ½	34 50
COLORED			
Bardeid, General	327	pt 2 3	1 72
Berry, Richard.	241	1 2 int e 4 w 5	2 13
Bennett, hrs John.	309	e 5	3 79
Bishop, hrs Mary E.	213	s w ¼ 1	3 79
Blackwell, Martha J.	338	w end 5	3 38
Blackwood, hrs Susan	336	e end 3	2 96
Blocker, hrs Betsey.	46	e p 3 4 5	5 87
Bowden, Alex	119	s e ¼ 3	3 38
Bowen, John P.	339	e p 4 5	3 79
Brown, John H.	280	e ¼ 5	5 04
Bryant, David	95	e m 1 2	
do do.	105	w m 6;	8 77
Burke, James H.	266	1-5 int e ¼ 1.2 pt 3	7 32
Burnett, Allison	119	s w ¼ 3	3 38
Burnley, Reuben.	156	s w ¼ 4	4 62
Byrd, hrs of Edward.	82	w 5 6	2 34
Blount, Esther.	338	s e ¼ 4	3 38
C			
WHITE			
Casteen, J B	81	c 6	4 45
Corbett, W H	71	e 6	4 2
Carter, hrs Saml.	339	m 5	2 56
Cutlar, Dubrutz, agt.	102	w m 1 2	11 68
Cuttar, Dubrutz.	96	n o ¼ 4	
do	336	pt w ¼ 5	
do	349	w m 3	
do	89	e ¼ 4	
do	174	e m and w m 3 4 5	
do	269	w m 5	
do	949	w m 4 5	
do	187	n w ¼ 4	
do	337	pt s e ¼ and n e 3	
do	148	e 2 5 6 pt n e ¼ 6	
do	148	e m ¼ 4	
do	279	w m 1	
do	375	s e ¼ 2	
do	47	e m 1	
do	20	w m 1	
do	51	e ¼ 4	
do	68	all 3	
do	52	e 4 3	
do	483	m 1 2 3 4 5	
do	52	n e 4	50 13
do	293	w ¼ 1	
COLORED			
Carr, Isaac	200	s e ¼ 4	4 21
Clark, James E.	536	n e ¼ 2	2 13
Cochran, Josh	327	w 4 5	5 04
Coles, Alex	326	e m 5	2 55
Collins, hrs Sarah A.	326	s w ¼ 4	3 79
Corbett, Nancy C.	311	n e 1	4 21
Cordell, E H.	256	n w ¼ 3	2 55
Cotton, London.	356	w 4 5	1 98
Cowan, Hammond.	67	s e ¼ 3	
do do	540	s e ¼ 5	3 37
do hrs Saml.	226	s e ¼ 3	5 04
D			
WHIE			
Davis, C R	131	n w 5	9 60
Dixon, hrs Jesse.	255	w end 1	2 96
Dunn, hrs R B.	184	w p 5	27 45
COLORED			
Davis, Betsey Ann.	119	e m 1 2	4 62
do Charlotte L.	266	p 4 w 2 3	2 96
do James H.	252	e m 1	3 79
do John Henry.	119	m 1 2	4 21
do Jos. H.	350	w 2 5	2 96
do hrs Louisa.	46	w m 4 5	2 55
do Wesley.	46	w 5 6	5 04
DeVane, WM.	229	e p 3 4 5	3 50
Dickson, Nelson.	64	w 4	5 03
Davis, R S.	74	pt 1 2	6 28
DeLoach, Jane'.	233	pt n w 3	2 13
E			
WHITE			
Evans, Hector.	310	e 1	2 55
do Katie L.	321	e ½ 2	6 28
Everett hrs Mrs Ann.	210	n e 4	4 21
do John A Jr.	484	w m 3 4 5	10 85
COLORED			
Ellison, A E.	50	n e ¼ 4	1 51
Epps, Henry.	239	n e ¼ 4	4 82
Evans, Isaac C.	288	pt n w 3	5 04
do hrs Julius.	37	n w ¼ 5	
do do	336	w ¼ 6	6 07
do Martha J.	68	s w 4	3 17
do W P.	106	w ¼ 4	5 45
F			
COLORED			
Faircloth, William.	541	s w ¼ 1	2 26
Ferguson, hrs Sallie.	536	s e ¼	2 34
WHITE			
Foard, Kate W.	536	e 4 5	2 13
Force L J	103	w 6	9 15
Flann gan, E J.	32	w 3	17 23
Farmer Evelina.	92	e 2 3	4 62
G			
WHITE			
Gilbert, Sarah C.	143	w 2 3	
Gooding, F J	323	n w ¼ 3	
do	211	s w 5	
do	295	w m 4 5 6	
do	347	e 4 w 4 5	
do	234	e ¼ 2 3	
do	155	w m 4 5	
do	170	e 1	
do	164	w 4 5	
do	153	w 1 2	
do	191	e m 1	
do	140	w 1 2	
do	263	w ¾ 3	
do	114	w m 1 2	
do	219	e m 5	
do	306	e 5 w m 5	265 55
Grady, L V	30	s e ¼ 2	17 49
Grant, Anna A and Miss F Lawton.	177	e 3	
	261	n ¼ 2	
	279	w ¾ 3	52 75
Green, W H.	63	w 4 5	10 02
COLORED			
Galley, James M.	254	e ½ 3	5 04
Galloway, W A.	37	w m 1 2	5 45
Gause, E S	327	w m 1	
do do	325	e 4 5	5 61
do Elisha.	289	n e ¼ 4	3 59
do hrs Lucetta.	267	n e 3	3 38
Gavin, Ben	27	n w ¼ 5	4 00
Gibbs, G W	541	n e ¼ 6	
do	65	w m 1 2	1 92
Giblem, Lodge	171	e 1 2	11 08
Green, Henry	47	e m 2 3 4 5 6	
do	68	all 2	
do	69	w 2	
do	69	e m 5	
do	283	all 6	
do	93	n e ¼ 4	
do	50	w ¼ 6	
do	516	all 1	
do	30	n w 1	
do	42	e 1 2 e m 1 2	
do	38	e ¼ m 4 5	
do	37	e ¼ 3	
do	56	n w ¼ 3	23 03
Griffin, Lucy.	327	w 3	2 10
H			
WHITE.			
Harriss, May McI.	17	pt 1	
do	53	all	
do	539	all	
do	37	all 5	
do	38	pt 5	
do	25	all 2 6	
do	39	all 1	
do	535	pt 5 all 6	
do	27	all 4	
do	23	all 1	
do	14	all 3	
Harriss, W N	33	n e ¼ 1	12 14
do	399	pt 2 3 4	
do	400	pt 4 all 2 3	
do	401	pt 4 all 2 3	13 11
Heinsberger, P trustee	196	w 2 3	29 94
Hewlett, hrs A J	203	e 3	16 24
do J H.	117	e m 1	8 93
do Martha S.	117	w 1	12 09
COLORED			
Hall, David.	339	e 4 5	2 13
do hrs R P.	479	w m 1	
do do	336	e 3 4	4 19
do do	513	w ¼ 5	
Hall, hrs R L.	356	pt 3 4 5	
do do	187	m 4 5	3 37
Hall, W H	37	n e ¼ 1	1 51
Halsey, Margaret.	337	w 3 4	1 41
Hankins, hrs Joseph'ne.	335	s w 4	3 79
Harrington, Lewis.	31	w 1	9 60
Harriss, Lovick.	257	w ¾ 4	2 96
Harrison, P D	70	w m 1	4 25
Henderson, Betsey.	45	e m 6	3 38
do hrs Hagar.	211	e ½ 2	3 79
do Rebecca.	45	e 6	2 96
Hicks, Eliza J.	70	e 1 2	3 38
Hill, Caroline S.	338	w 1 2 3	2 55
do Chas H.	186	w 2	5 87
do Louis H.	3	n e ¼ 4	4 04
do hrs Virgil.	9	e ¼ 4	4 83
do Willie	289	e m 5	4 21
Hollingsworth hrs of Lewis	234	w m 1	
Hollingsworth, hrs of Lewis	306	e 1 2	
Hollingsworth, hrs of Lewis	293	pt 2	27 43
Hollingsworth, S L.	36	e ½ 3	8 45
Holmes, Charles.	341	n w 6	3 96
Hooper, Johnson.	30	w 4 5	
do do	160	e m 4 5	
do do	139	e m 5 6	15 72
do Jno H.	253	e 7	4 62
Howe, Jane.	342	e end 1 2	2 13
Howard, Andrew	19	n w ¼ 4 s w ¼ 3	6 70
Howard, Jno H.	34	n o 1	4 62
Howe, hrs Anthony.	75	w m 6	2 13
do Josephine	193	s w 1	2 55
do Washington.	514	all 1 2 3	2 55
Hyman, hrs Wm.	89	n e ¼ 4	

NAME	Block	Description	Tax and Cost
J			
WHITE			
Jackson, James.	209	e 4 5	9 60
Jones, Ed G.	321	e 1 2 3	18 73
COLORED			
Jarvis, hrs Emeline.	252	e 5	5 04
Johnson, Alex.	26	w m 1	9 23
Johnson Robert.	336	e 3	2 55
Jones, Joe	354	e ½ 2	4 62
Jones, J J	29	n w ¼ 1	
do do	79	m 3 4 5 e 2 3	6 38
Jones, Lena.	240	w 5	4 62
Jones, Moses Jr.	148	s e 6 ¾	4 21
Jones, Pallas.	2	e m 3	2 55
Jones, John Stephen.	136	n pt w ¼ 5	4 21
K			
WHITE			
Kenan, Mary E.	486	w 1 2 3	4 62
Kelley, Misses I J, A H and I L.	191	e 2 3	19 98
Kerchner, hrs L C.	190	m 5 6	
do do	163	¾ int e m 1 2	38 65
King, Archy	38	w m 1	3 79
do Wm J	51	m 5 6	5 45
Knowles, Jos W.	41	pt w end 1	5 90
COLORED			
King, Ben	351	w 5	1 93
L			
WHITE			
Landor, James.	18	e m 1	3 17
Lathrop, E S.	194	s e 3	22 68
LeGwin, Mrs E and T H Wright.	239	w m 5	5 45
LeGwin, Sarah.	186	w end 1 2	7 11
COLORED			
Larrington, hrs Diana.	109	e ¾ 5	7 94
Lee, Daniel	400	w 1	
do do	181	e 2 3	6 93
Lewis, Geo Jr.	337	n e 5	5 04
Lewis, James.	309	w m 1	4 25
Lloyd, Mike.	394	s w 2	3 79
Love, Louisa	307	w 2	3 38
M			
WHITE			
Marshal, A J.	296	m 3	
do do	37	e ¾ 5	
do do	81	pt 1 2 3	
do do	266	e 1 and 2	11 45
do Mrs E.	173	w m 3 4 and 5	
do do	340	pt m 4	13 41
Mason, G A.	293	s w ¾ 3	9 31
Morrell, Mrs C A.	196	n w ¼ 4	7 94
COLORED			
Moore, hrs Thos F.	269	s w 5	4 62
do satire	175	e m 4 5	9 85
do sarah Jane.	241	s w ¼ 4	4 62
do Polly A.	265	n w ¼ 2	4 62
Mitchell, Maria	137	s w ¼ 3	2 13
do Joseph.	118	w ¼ 3	7 44
Miller, John	381	e 5	5 04
do Elias J	219	w ½ 2	4 21
Merrick, sarah A.	48	e 3 4 5	
do do	64	s w ¼ 2	6 07
Meeks, Martha	64	e 2 5	5 03
Malletti, W P.	240	e 1	7 32
do Alex & W P.	287	w ¼ 1	12 16
May, Fennell J	187	n w 2	5 04
Mc			
McFarland, Mrs Elizabeth	218	w 2	30 35
McKinnon, hrs Mrs. D. S.	233	w ¼ 3	33 02
McLauchlin, Joseph.	70	n w ¼ 3	4 21
COLORED			
McDuffie J N.	96	w e 6	4 21
McFarland, Morriss.	37	e 1	1 74
McFarland, simon.	336	e 1	4 21
McMillan, Jas guard	37	e m 1 2	2 96
McNeal, Jeffrey	147	e m 1 2	2 96
do John	200	s w ¼ 1	4 21
N			
WHITE			
Nutt, J D	206	e 5	29 39
COLORED			
Neal John.	537	w 2	4 83
Nixon, Bertha.	175	w 1	6 28
Nichols, Elizabeth.	328	s w 3 4	2 96
Nixon, Jane.	282	w m 4 5	3 89
do hrs Prince.	479	w 1 2 3	
do do	56	w ¾ 3	2 33
O			
WHITE			
D O'Connor, agt— Bowden Mrs A E.	193	e end 5 6	26 89
London hrs E.	280	e 1	3 79
McIntyre, Thos A.	67	all 3	26 89
Northrop, Mrs W B.	69	all 3	6 28
Pitts, hrs C H	190	w 5	31 50
O'Sullivan, J P.	148	e end 6 6 ½	8 36
COLORED			
D O'Connor, agt— Davis, Eliza J.	197	e 3	8 36
Hansley, Barsheba.	263		18 81
Owens, Catharine.	118	w 6	4 99
P			
WHITE			
Piver, R L.	59	s w ¼ 3	6 99
Platt, hrs sam'l.	73	s w ¼ 4	3 38
Punke, F G.	188	house on w 2	
do	177	w ¼ 2	19 76
COLORED			
Patrick, suckey.	326	e m 3 4	4 42
Pearson, hrs John.	314	n w 3	1 93
Perkins, Dennis.	74	w ¼ 5	3 79
Phillips, Lizzie.	326	e m 5	2 55
Pierce, Andrew.	64	w m 1	4 42
Pridgen, John.	194	s e ¼ 5	2 90
Payne, hrs Thos.	231	w ¾ 1	6 18
Q			
COLORED			
Quick, William.	211	e m 1	6 78
R			
WHITE			
Reaves, W J.	87	e ¾ 4 pt 8	
do do	88	w ½ 2	
do do	87	w ¼ 5	
do do	139	n w 6	
do do	88	w 6	69 13
do Dani L.	31	e m 1	5 45
Register, W H.	117	s e ¼ 2	10 43
Richards, E V.	147	w ¼ 8 4	10 85
COLORED			
Reaves, hrs Nathan.	295	w 3 4	3 79
Reed, Isabella.	352	w 4 5	2 34
do hrs sam.	255	w 1	
do do	63	all w 5	9 80
Rease, samuel.	148	e 4 5	2 96
Reeves, Louisa.	238	e 1	7 11
Reynolds, J D.	48	w 1	5 45
Roberts, Gilbert.	118	w m 6	4 21
Robinson, hrs Agnes J	39	pt 5	
do do	81	n e 1 3	3 99
do hrs Henry.	20	n w 1	2 13
do W H.	37	e ¼ 5	2 96
Rowell, hrs Lucilia.	146	s e 3	3 38
Russ, hrs Harriet.	59	w 5 6	3 38
Ryan, hrs Allen.	490	w 1 2	2 96
S			
WHITE			
saunders, H G and wfe.	78	m 1 2 3	
saunders, H G and wfe.	94	w m 4	11 26
sharp, J E.	62	w m 1	9 81
do J E and W H.	63	n w 2	1 93
do W H.	62	pt w m 1	5 87
stelles, J D.	176	e 3 4 5	
do	160	e 1 2 3	47 44
swann, Vrana.	70	s e ¼ 2	6 49
COLORED			
sanders, C R.	55	s e ¼ 3 e m 1 2	4 12
sher dan, John A.	51	s 11 4	2 72
sidberry, Walter.	326	e m and w m 38	5 04
shiver, Carol ne	119	e m 5 6	3 38
smith, hrs Lucy.	326	s m 4	2 96
do do Marila.	275	m 5	2 96
do hrs susan.	242	s w 3	2 96
standford Geo ge.	541	s w ¼ 2	4 41
stanley Charles.	2	s w ¾ 2	4 00
stanley, Wright.	38	e m 1 2	3 79
stokes, R C.	51	n e 3	4 62
strudwick Mary J.	46	e m 1 2 3 4 5	3 38
sullivan Abbie.	394	s w 1	4 21
sykes, Taylor.	541	n e ¼ 5	1 43
T			
WHITE			
Taylor, Dora.	32	w m 6	4 00
Tyler, F P.	146	w 6 6 ½	9 40
COLORED			
Taylor, H O.	40	s w ¾ 2	
do	6	w 1	2 66
Thomas, hrs John.	325	e 2 3	4 33
Thompson, Jacob.	339	w 1	3 38
Turner, Mary S.	254	w ½ 1	10 41
do hrs Pompey.	359	w m 5	2 55
do watson	349	w 3 4	2 13
V			
COLORED			
Vanderhorst, Ed.	269	s e ¼ 5	2 96
W			
WHITE			
Ward, Alice	62	w 1	5 66
Williams, Kate W.	262	e 1	4 62
Williams, hrs L M.	169	w m 1	8 98
Wilmington sewerage Co.	456	pt 5 6 and all sewer pipe & perconal	416 51
J G Wright & son, agt			
Register, Eva B.	199	w m 5	
do do	278	e m 6	13 53
Rowell, Mrs Comfort	143	w 3 4	10 43
West, hrs H P.	10, 175	int pt 1 93	4 15
Wright, Jno M.	114	w m 6	27 37
COLORED.			
wade, hrs Marion.	80	e ½ 3	3 38
walker, Charles E.	3	e ¾ 5	3 79
do Enoch.	37	n e ¼ 5	4 79
do hrs sidney.	240	e 1	3 79
do James A.	56	s w ¼ 4	
do do	306	w 3	4 62
do Margaret.	337	w 4 5	2 76
do Sarah.	211	s e 1 e m 1	
do do	226	w ½ 2	8 14
Washington, James	37	n w ¼ 3	4 08
do Phoeba.	255	n w ¼ 5	3 79
Waters, Eliza.	496	e m 2	2 55
williams, hrs Leah.	331	e m 4 5	1 72
willis, Godfrey.	60	w end 6	4 62
wright, hrs Titus.	327	e p 1 2	4 62

Delinquent.

NAME	Block	Description	Tax and cost.
B			
WHITE			
Bowden, hrs L H	149	e m 1 2	17 90
Boykin, Julia A.	169	w m 1	3 79
COLORED			
Bell, Thos T.	42	w ¾ 5	2 76
Brown, Wm.	351	w m 5	4 00
Boyd, J M.	18	w m 1	5 22
Blocker, A and W H.			
Cotton and wife.	541	n e ¼ 4	1 72
C			
COLORED			
Chadbourn, John.	314	w m 5	
do do	250	w m 5	5 86
D			
COLORED			
DeLoach, Chas	283	s w 3	4 21
Doscher, Robert.	65	e ¾ 5	3 79
E			
COLORED			
Evans, Cornelius.	93	e m 1 2	
G			
COLORED			
Grainger, London.	518	s w ¾ 5	1 47
Galley, J M & others.	268	e 1	2 96
H			
WHITE			
Hicks, R W.	337	e m 2 3	2 76
COLORED			
Holmes, J H.	264	m 1	3 38
do R F.	264	e 1	4 21
Howard, hrs Harry do Martha.	49	e m 1 2 3	2 34
	32	n e ¼ 2	2 55
J			
WHITE			
Johnson, Alice.	193	w m 4 5 6	22 05
Johnson, Jane and D Bryant.	104	w m 6	2 13
COLORED			
Johnson, W F.	40	s w ¾ 5	2 34

NAME	Acres	Description	Tax and Cost
L			
COLORED			
Lane, Elijah.	264	w ½ 2	4 62
Lawrence, F M.	518	s e ¼ 5	1 47
Loftin, McLean.	482	n w 3	5 4
LeBoo, hrs Lucy A.	337	w 4	2 5
WHITE			
Mayo Mrs W E.	305	w 3 4 5	21 22
Moody, S M.	309	e 1	5 04
COLORED			
Martin Nellie a.	127	w 1 2	
do do	328	n w 1	5
Moore, Nancy.	296	e m 3	2 56
do hrs George.	314	e 4	1 55
do washington.	297	w 6	6 13
do Rebeca.	351	s w ¼ 3	3 72
Nichols, R B.	55	s e ¼ 3	4 0000
Nixon, Jane.	339	w 5	4 2188
COLORED			
Riles, Chloe.	119	s e ¼ 4	2 83
Ripley, hrs Wm.	81	e 6	3 38
Rountree, Dennis.	326	e 1 and e end 1	
Rountree, Dennis.	337	e m 1 2	5 45
COLORED			
simmons, Nathaniel.	187	e 4 5	4 21
WHITE			
Thomas, Frank.	339	e 3	5 04
WHITE			
whitehead, J W.	127	w 1 2 3	44 46
ward, Francis.	46	e 5 6	2 14

Cape Fear Township,

NAME	Acres	Description.	Tax and Cost.
H			
WHITE			
Hansley, Owen	60	adj A J Grady	
do do	150	adj J F Hines	
do do	10,	Crown st'm tract	9 54
J			
WHITE			
Johnson, J G	132	adj Island Creek	11 38
J			
WHITE			
Kraft, William.	11	Unknown Factory	84 38
M			
WHITE			
Millan, James.	64	pt Westbrok tract	5 45
Murray, J W	1 27	adj R S Murray	5 45
S			
WHITE			
Stewart, C Morton, trustee.	56	adj Lennehan Griffin	22 05

Cape Fear Township.

NAME	Acres	Description	Tax and Cost.
A			
COLORED			
Aycock, Fris.	90	adj Heyer	5 76
B			
COLORED			
Bevins, Frances	3	adj A Moore	1 72
C			
COLORED			
Canaday, Geo.	5	adj Hermitage	1 92
F			
COLORED			
Fonville, Jerry.	100	adj Rock Hill	1 80
G			
COLORED			
Grady, Albert.	3	adj Kerr	4 21
do Geo W.	13	adj Alcenia Reed	1 71
H			
COLORED			
Henderson, hrs Henry	75	adj Hermitage	5 45
M			
COLORED			
Mallett, Wm P.	95	adj Eliza Jones	2 96
Marshal, Edward.	6	adj Moses Potter	4 12
Merrick, James H.	7	adj Hector Smith	4 45
Miller, Adna.	2	adj Rock Hill	1 59
Moseley, Edward.	5	adj Acorn branch	4 33
Murphy, Joseph.	5	adj James Wright	4 00
Mc			
COLORED			
McIntyre, Sam.	20	adj Oakley	3 21
N			
COLORED			
Newkirk, hrs Essec.	25	adj Hermitage	3 38
Nixon, hrs Saml.	142	adj Nixonville	5 45
R			
COLORED			
Ripley, Willie.	5	adj Isaac Bizzell	4 56
W			
COLORED			
Wilber, Mary.	5	adj E McGuire	1 72
do Sarah.	5	adj Mary Wilber	1 72

Delinquent in Cape Fear Township

NAME	Acres	Description	Tax and Cost
A			
WHITE			
Allen, E O.	6	pt Miller tract	1 00
Cowan, Ida.	90	adj Hermitage	
do	25	adj Rock Hill	
do	25	adj Hanberry	7 30
Davis, S J.	25	adj DeRossett h'h	3 38
Larkin, W W, Guard.	300	pt Richard tract	2 95
Robbins, D M.	300	Cedar Hill	7 11

Federal Point Township

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SUNDAY MORNING DECEMBER 21

THE SPEARS-PURNELL CONTROVERSY.

Complaint Filed in Department of Justice News From Raleigh.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 20.—Interest is considerably quickened to-day in the fight for the removal of Oscar J. Spears as assistant district attorney by a special from Washington that Judge Purnell's letter of complaint against him is filed in the Department of Justice. The judge has denied that he has or would request his removal. He charges in the letter that Spears does not attend to his duties and intimates that laziness is the cause. J. A. Giles is probably the most prominent Republican in the race for appointment as Spears' successor.

The Secretary of State to-day chartered the Aydlett Bros. Co., of Elizabeth City, with $200,000 capital authorized and $51,200 paid in by the incorporators, who are D. T. Gullop, W. E. Evans, J. H. Aydlett, A. Aydlett, C. H. Robinson and E. F. Aydlett.

Gov. Aycock to-day granted pardons to nine convicts, issuing statements of the crime and reasons for the pardon in each case.

Vance county is the second county in North Carolina to settle State taxes for 1902. Sheriff E. P. Powell paid this tax in full into the State treasury to-day, amounting to $9,308.82.

SUPREME COURT HAS ADJOURNED.

It Will be Reorganized in February—Some Final Decisions.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 20.—The Supreme Court adjourned for the term to-day, leaving a clear docket. Chief Justice Furches and Associate Justice Cooke retire, Justice Furches to practice law at Statesville and Justice Cooke at Warrenton. The Court will reorganize February 2d, with Chief Justice Clark, Justices Walker, Connor, Douglas and Montgomery.

Opinions rendered to-day, the last on the docket, were: Henry vs. McCoy, Macon, no error; Thomas vs. Southern Railway Company, Haywood, error; Thrash vs. Southern Railway Company, Cherokee, per curiam, affirmed; Kiser vs. Barytes Company, Madison, error; Smith vs. Railroad Company, Mecklenburg, petition to rehear dismissed; Parker vs. Railroad Company, Wayne, per curiam, affirmed; Dargan vs. Railroad Company, Union, no error; Fitzgerald vs. Furniture Company, Davidson, no error; Lewis vs. Steamship Company, Carteret, affirmed; Debnam vs. Chitty, Hertford, modified and affirmed.

CHARLIE BANKS AT FORT SUMTER.

[A paper prepared by the late Dr. W. W. Harriss and read Friday night before Cape Fear Camp No. 254 U. C. V.]

In the early mid-Summer days of '61, Charlie Banks enlisted in a Battalion of South Carolina Artillery. Recruiting officers visited various sections of North Carolina for volunteers in the Confederate service.

Charlie, a Wilmington boy, a native and with numerous relatives, fond of excitement and adventure, full of patriotism, reported for duty at Charleston, S. C. The Battalion was ordered into camp on James Island, to assist in defence of the historic old city.

After the fall of "Sumter" and while in the possession of Confederate forces, the Battalion was ordered to the fort to defend it or die.

Gallantly the boys responded. In the hourly, daily, constant hail of balls and shells, hurled so incessantly with destructive effect, "Sumter" bravely resisted every attempt of assault, recapture or demolition. Gun after gun disabled and the fire raging within its enclosure presented a fearful issue in the contest.

In the many engagements, soon the staff falls—the proud, defiant "Stars and Bars" ceased to flutter in the breeze. Volunteers were called to replace it. Charlie Banks responds and gallantly mounting the staff nailed the flag to the mast-head, only to have it shot down and lowered again by the continuous torrent of shell.

The conspicuous ensign was a target for the malignity and hatred of the Federal fleet and the brave volunteer climbed again the staff and replaced the flag to bid defiance to the hated enemy.

Thrice in the day the same deed was heroically accomplished, commanding admiration of the enemy and cheers of his noble comrades.

Such heroic deeds should not be permitted to pass into obscurity or to be forgotten, but heralded as an example of the chivalry, pluck and sacrifices of the Confederate soldiers.

The admiral of the Federal fleet, seeing the heroic action of this boy, ordered the fleet to cease firing when the third ascent of the flag staff was made, remarking that such heroism should be respected.

BANK STATEMENT.

Showing Made by the Clearing House Banks of New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 20.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the week shows:

Loans $875,861,300, decrease $3,510,200; deposits $867,856,000, decrease $5,875,200; circulation $45,615,700, increase $550,000; legal tenders $68,079,000, increase $118,600; specie $156,978,600, decrease $1,880,700; reserve $225,057,600, decrease $1,762,100; reserve required $216,964,000, decrease $1,468,800; surplus $8,093,600; decrease $293,300; ex-United States deposit $18,142,100, decrease $384,975.

The President yesterday sent the following nominations to the Senate; Collector of customs, Daniel W. Patrick, District of Pamlico, N. C. Postmasters, Walter B. Steele, High Point, N. C.; Columbus F. Blacock, Hickory, N. C.

A Frightened Horse,

Running like mad down the street, dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy, and there is none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

CONSTRUCTION OF ISTHMIAN CANAL.

Senator Morgan Discussed Question at Yesterday's Session of the Senate.

FAVORS NICARAGUA ROUTE.

Expressed Opinion That If United States Did Not Avail Itself of Opportunity to Build by Nicaragua Route No Canal Would be Built

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 20.—After a session of less than three hours, the the Senate to-day adjourned until January 5th next. To-day's session was largely given up to an address by Senator Morgan upon the question of the construction of an isthmian canal. The Senator declared that it would be in the interest of the United States to resume negotiations with Nicaragua and Costa Rica, with the view of utilizing the Nicaragua route, for the reason that, as he believed, if we should continue to depend upon the Panama route we would never have a canal.

A number of bills were passed and a conference report providing for the payment of the expenses of the anthracite coal strike commission was agreed to.

Mr. Morgan contended for the making good of contracts entered into by President McKinley with Costa Rica and Nicaragua. The negotiations of these agreements he characterized as a masterful act and said they were about to be trodden under foot.

He then went on to express apprehension that if the United States did not avail itself of the opportunity to build a canal by the Nicaragua route none would be built. Action at the present Congress he considered important, because any person familiar with congressional proceedings knew that a minority could prevent action in the one session only that must come after the present before the expiration of the canal appropriation. Attention was also called to the fact that under Colombian law only the Congress of that country can ratify a treaty.

There had been no Congress there since 1899 and there was not likely to be any soon unless the Panama Canal Company should pay its expenses out of the $3,000,000 on hand or the $40,000,000 promised by the United States. He, therefore, expressed apprehension that any treaty that might be accepted by this government would fail of action in Colombia.

Speaking of the possible failure of ratification of a treaty with Colombia and its possible effect upon treaties that might afterward be sought with Nicaragua and Costa Rica, Senator Morgan said: "I am not imputing any lack of patriotism or any disposition to defeat all canal enterprises to any one in these observations. I am only considering possibilities that are obviously in view and endanger the construction of a canal at either of the localities provided by the act of June 28th, 1902. Yet all the world knows, that powerful interests are opposing the opening of any canal through the American isthmus and these combinations are relying upon a minority of the Senate to destroy all efforts to construct such a canal."

House of Representatives.

The last session of the House before the holiday recess was very brief. It lasted only long enough to permit final action upon the bill to defray the expenses of the coal strike commission. No other business was transacted. The adjournment to-day was until Monday, Jan. 5th, 1903.

BLIZZARD IN THE NORTHWEST

The Worst Snow and Wind Storm Since the Winter of 1895—Business at a Standstill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

DENVER, COLO., Dec. 20.—The worst snow and wind storm since the great storm of 1895 has raged in Colorado to-day. The blizzard was general to-day throughout eastern Colorado and Wyoming and western Nebraska and Kansas. The average snowfall was eleven inches, and a forty-five mile wind blowing across the prairies piled the snow in huge drifts.

In Cheyenne business is at a standstill and the snow is plied in drifts from three to six feet. Sterling and many other small towns between Denver and Cheyenne are cut off from communication with the outside world. Cattle are suffering from a lack of shelter, and the trains on all roads are delayed many hours, if not abandoned. Last night the Colorado and Southern train from Cheyenne stuck in a nine-foot snow drift on Buckhorn Hill and was soon covered with drifting snow. One hundred miners from Sunrise dug it out. Another train was stalled on the Colorado and Southern between Horse Creek and Hartville Junction.

HOMICIDE AT BAMBERG, S. C.

A Factory Operative Shot and Killed in His Home by a Merchant.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 20.—Tom W. Pearlstine, a merchant of Bamberg, this State, to-night went to the home of W. M. Creech, a factory operative, to collect a debt of eighty cents. Creech declared that he did not have the money, but would give an order on the mill for the amount. Pearlstine then began cursing and Creech remonstrated because of the presence of his wife; thereupon, it is said, Pearlstine drew his pistol and fired twice, one shot killing Creech instantly and the other barely missing Mrs. Creech.

REAR-END COLLISION.

Fifteen Persons Reported Killed and Many Others Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—A telephone message from Byron Hot Springs, says a rear end collision occurred near there to-night in which fifteen persons are reported killed. Many were injured. The Stockton flyer ran into the Owl train, which left this city at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon for Los Angeles. Most of the injured were passengers on the "Owl." A later report from the "Owl" wreck says twenty-seven injured have been brought to Byron Springs. So far as can be ascertained, the list of dead numbers from twelve to fifteen. Most of the killed and injured were residents of Fresno.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard

OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION OF THE BLOCKADE.

Issued by Great Britain and Germany. Will Go Into Effect To-day at All Venezuelan Ports.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The official proclamation of the blockade of Venezuelan ports was gazetted this morning and becomes effective to-day. The text of the proclamation is as follows:

"It is hereby notified that as the United States of Venezuela have failed to comply with the demands of his majesty's government a blockade by his majesty's forces of the ports of La-Guaira, Carenero, Guante, Cuman and Caruaano, and the mouths of the Orinoco is declared, and such blockade will be effectively maintained from and after the 20th of December, subject to the allowance of the following days of grace:

"For vessels sailing before the date of this notification from West Indian ports and ports on the east coast of the continent of America—ten days for steamers and twenty days for sailing vessels.

"From all other ports—twenty days for steamers and forty days for sailing vessels.

"For vessels lying in the ports now declared to be blockaded—fifteen days.

"Vessels which attempt to violate the blockade will render themselves liable to all measures authorized by the law of nations and by the respective treaties between his majesty and the different neutral powers."

The Foreign Office says the blockade of the Venezuelan coast will not be relaxed until the powers enforcing their claims agree on a method for the arbitration of their respective cases and Venezuela shows a disposition to act sincerely. Stress is laid on the difficulty, in view of the diversity of the claims in deciding on a method of presentation and on the prolixity of the negotiations which will be involved before a settlement is in sight. It is not definitely decided whether separate cases can be embodied in one document, should the projected arbitration take definite shape.

Germany's Proclamation.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—The German government to-day published a decree embodying the conditions of the blockade of Germany's portion of the Veuezuela coast. It was as follows:

"The government of Venezuela having rejected the demand which the Imperial Government communicated to it, the ports of Porto Cabello, and Maraicaibo are hereby declared under blockade, beginning December 20. Ships under other than the Venezuelan flag which sailed from West Indian or other east American ports before the publication of this decree, will receive a period of twenty days for sailing vessels and ten days for steamers to reach their destination.

"Sailing vessels from all other ports are allowed forty days and steamers twenty days.

"Ships under other than the Venezuelan flag, lying in blockaded ports upon the publication of this decree, are allowed fifteen days to sail.

"Ships which attempt to break the blockade will be subject to the provisions which apply to neutrals under international law and in accordance with treaties."

IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Bands of Ladrones Led by Negroes Who Have Been Discharged From the Army Giving Trouble.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Advices have reached here from Manila to the effect that the bands of Ladrones which are harrassing the rural population of the islands are in many instances led by negroes who have been discharged from the army and are employing their military knowledge in drilling the Ladrones and organizing them in a crude military way. In the province of Bulacan it is understood that a band of 300 Ladrones, led by an American negro, are scheming to wipe out the constabulary, and that four miles out from the town of Ciacocan four American blacks are engaged in drilling a large number of highwaymen in military tactics and training them in the use of firearms.

Because of the increasing activity of the Ladrones the continued withdrawal and concentration of troops in the islands is causing apprehension among the inhabitants of many provinces, who have depended wholly upon the military for protection.

TROLLEY CAR ACCIDENT.

Sixty Persons Injured—Three Perhaps Fatally Hurt.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 20.—Three women were perhaps fatally injured and fifty-seven other passengers were bruised and badly shaken up in a trolley car accident in Weehawken at midnight.

The accident occurred at a point where the trolley company's tracks cross those of the Erie railroad. When the trolley car reached the tracks the motorman stopped his car to allow a freight train to pass. The last three cars of the freight train broke loose some distance east of the crossing, and were not noticed by the train crew. After the cars passed by the motorman of the trolley car thought it was the last of the train and started to cross the tracks. When he got his car in the middle of the crossing the three freight cars which had broken loose from the train came rolling along, and before he could get his car over the crossing it was struck with terrific force. The trolley car was completely turned over.

VESSELS SEIZED.

Two Schooners Belonging to a French Subject But Flying Venezuela's Flag.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LA GUAIRA, Dec. 20.—The Trinidad schooners Mercedes and Immaculada, belonging to a French subject but flying the Venezuelan flag, tried to leave this port to-day and were seized by the British cruiser Tribune. A commission boarded the Tribune and explained to her commander that no notification of the blockade had been given before the schooners had cleared and claimed also that the cargo belonged to foreign subjects. The commander of the Tribune declined to release the Mercedes and Immaculada, saying he was obeying orders.

The British cruiser Retribution and the U. S. cruiser Albany left to-day at noon. The Retribution is reported since to have arrived off Carenero.

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WANT ROOSEVELT FOR ARBITRATOR.

But the President Asks That the Dispute be Submitted to The Hague Tribunal.

THE CRITICAL POINT PASSED.

But Still Undecided Who Shall be Arbitrator—President May Reluctantly Assume Duties to Prevent Bloodshed and Destruction.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt has proposed to the allied powers that the Venezuelan dispute be submitted to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal. The powers have replied with a counter-proposal, that President Roosevelt himself arbitrate the issues.

These were the developments over night in the Venezuelan matter, and they seem to justify the prediction made in these dispatches that the critical point had been passed. President Roosevelt does not wish to act as arbitrator in this dispute, for as such it is felt here he would be at once judge, jury and constable, and would be under the moral obligation to execute his own judgment. The President feels that a reference to The Hague tribunal would vastly strengthen the cause of arbitration.

Still, rather than see the present dispute proceed to extremes, it is probable the President will reluctantly assume the duties of arbitrator. It is fully realized that any decision rendered by him in that capacity would be sure to bring him the enmity of one or the other of the parties to the controversy, and this fact was pointed out to the President early in the week by a leading senator who had been called into consultation. Nevertheless, to prevent bloodshed and the destruction of property and interference with great commercial interests that may result in loss itis believed that the President would assume the charge, providing his own view cannot prevail.

An important fact developed to-day is, that the punitive measures about to be instituted, and in fact, now in force in some degree, will not be suspended by the allies until a definite agreement is reached as to arbitration.

Venezuela also has been told through Minister Bowen that the President would welcome a reference of the dispute to The Hague tribunal. While no direct reply has been received, it is not doubted that the reply would be favorable if the other parties consented to such reference.

If an agreement is reached on arbitration the procedure would be for Mr. Bowen, representing Venezuela as a plenipotentiary, to sign with the representatives of the allies a protocol, stating that the case is to be submitted to arbitration; that Venezuela admits the right of diplomatic intervention in behalf of a claimant, a principle she has always resisted, and that the details of the arbitration shall be arranged in a formal treaty which she pledges herself to sign. This treaty will provide in the greatest detail for the security of foreign interests against vexatious and extortionate interference on the part of the Venezuelan government and will insure the administration of exact justice in the settlement of claims, and especially will it relieve foreign residents of Venezuela from forced loans and prosecution in times of revolutions.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—A semi-official statement, made to-night, says:

"The invitation to President Roosevelt to act as arbitrator was made after a thorough consultation between Germany and Great Britain. An understanding has been reached by the two powers on their reservations attached to the offer and the German note will agree with the English note on all essential points."

LONDON, Dec. 20.—It is confirmed here that an invitation has been sent to President Roosevelt to arbitrate in the Venezuelan difficulty. It seems that the proposal to submit the matter to the President's arbitration emenates from the German government. The Foreign Office here says it has the strongest reasons for believing that President Roosevelt will decline to act as arbitrator.

Powers Awaiting an Answer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The status of the arbitration negotiations at the close of the official day as disclosed at the State Department was that the powers were awaiting for an answer from the President to their proposal that he himself undertake to arbitrate the Venezuelan difficulty. The President's answer can only be guessed at, for the officials decline to express any opinion of their own. However, it is believed to be a safe prediction that he will renew his suggestion that the case be submitted to The Hague tribunal, adding to the argument be has already produced the fact that the United States having claims of its own against Venezuela to the amount of about $100,000 is a party in interest, and it would be unfair to put the President in the position of having to arbitrate his own claim. For their part, the powers bring against The Hague proposition the argument that President Castro would feel lightly bound by any decision by that tribunal, but would be certain to heed a judgment rendered by President Roosevelt. It is said at the State Department that no matter how these two propositions are disposed of, there will be no backward step and that an agreement of some kind which will bring about a peaceable settlement of the Venezuelan troubles will result from the present negotiations.

At the German embassy to-night denial, emphatic and authoritative, was given to the various representations in circulation that Germany is anxious to acquire Margarita island and work to this end in any settlement that may be agreed upon. Germany, it is said, has never for an instant had designs on Margarita island or any other Venezuelan territory.

FIGHTING FOR COAL.

Mob of Several Hundred People in St. Paul, Minn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Dec. 20.—A crowd of several hundred people broke through the doors of the Northwestern Fuel Company's Robert street office to-day, after a remarkable three hours rush for coal, savagely mauling a clerk who had acted as door keeper and admitted only one customer at a time. The company had received a few hundred tons of coal, which were disposed of in single ton cash orders at $8.75. After breaking into the office police assistance had to be called and order was restored with difficulty.

Anways Croup Syrup is pleasant to give baby; cures coughs, colds and croup. Guaranteed. The only remedy made for babies coughs exclusively. Don't risk the ordinary coughs cures, they are dangerous to give baby. Robt. R. Bellamy sells Anways. †

WHAYNE DEATH ACCIDENTAL.

Finding of Coroner's Inquest in the Case of the Louisville Merchant Whose Life Was Heavily Insured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 20.—The coroner's jury which spent a full day investigating the death of R. C. Whayne, a prominent business man, who was found last Thursday night in the vicinity of Jacob Park with a gun-shot wound in the breast, late this afternoon rendered a verdict of accidental death.

Intense interest was manifested in the case, as Mr. Whayne carried life insurance policies aggregating $390,000 and had applied for $50,000 more.

It was upon the fact that Mr. Whayne carried such a large life insurance and was said to be suffering from rheumatism that the theory of suicide was based.

Near Mr. Whayne's body when found, but on the opposite side of a wire-fence was a shot-gun with one barrel empty and the other loaded and cocked. His friends and family declared that death was due to an accident and that the gun was discharged while he was climbing through the fence. The evidence offered at to-day's inquest supported the theory of accident, together, there being no features which pointed to suicide.

It is not known what steps the insurance companies will take. Several New York detectives are here. A part of the $390,000 insurance is incontestable.

PRESIDENT LEAVES WASHINGTON.

To Pass Sunday With Friends at Rapidan, Virginia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and four of their children, left Washington at 12:05 P. M. to-day for Rapidan, Va., to pass Sunday with Joseph Wilmer and family.

President Roosevelt was accompanied to the Pennsylvania station by Secretary Cortelyou, but the latter did not go to Rapidan. The President and his family were accompanied, however, by Assistant Secretary Loeb, who will keep in close telegraphic touch with the White House during the absence of the party. It is the intention of the President to return to Washington on Monday morning, his desire being to obtain absolute rest for a day or two. The strain upon him, both mentally and physically, since Congress convened and during the crisis in Venezuelan affairs, has been very great and he felt the necessity for some relief from those cares.

WARM WIRELETS.

Former Governor James S. Boynton, of Georgia, is critically ill at his home in Griffin and is not expected to recover.

A London dispatch says that the Princess of Wales gave birth to a son last night. Both mother and child are doing well.

The United States cruiser Albany, the French cruiser Troudo and the British cruiser Retribution have arrived at La Guaira, Venezuela.

Two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars will be expended on the Asheville division of the Southern railway in the way of improvements.

A special to to the Columbia *State* says: Expert cracksmen Friday night blew open the safe of Bell Brothers, merchants, at Reno, Laurens county, S. C., and secured $190.

The body of Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant lies in the great red granite sarcophogus beside that in which the remains of her husband rest in the tomb overlooking the Hudson river.

At 10:30 last night it was reported that there was no change in the condition of Cornelius Vanderbilt. Dr. Flint said during the day, "The patient's condition is more favorable to-day."

The British sloop of war Fantome, which was sent to command the entrance to the Orinoco, is hard aground near Barrancas, on the left bank of that river and 120 miles southwest of Trinidad.

It is stated at the War Department that General Chaffee will succeed General Young as lieutenant general of the army upon the retirement of General Young, who will succeed General Miles.

The postoffice at Batesburg, in Lexington county, S. C., was burglarized Friday night. The safe was dynamited and, although badly cracked, was not opened. The burglars were frightened away.

A telegram from Big Stone Gap, Va., tells of the deaths of seven miners. W. S. Brown was crushed under six tons of falling slate at the Mudlick mine, and at Inman, Va., six miners while engaged in pulling pillars were crushed to death.

Fire Chief Edward Croker, of New York, was officially declared out of the fire department yesterday by Fire Commissioner Sturgis, who notified Deputy Chief Charles D. Purroy to report at once at headquarters for duty as chief of the department.

Franklin L. Kerns, Jr., aged fifteen years, while playing basket ball in Richmond, Va., fell and struck his head, suffering an injury from which he died in a few hours, immediately after being operated on at a local hospital.

Gustav A. Jahn & Co., commission merchants, New York, have made an assignment. No statement of assets or liabilities was made. A member of the firm said he believed the liabilities were about $250,000 and that the assets would prove more than sufficient to pay all claims.

The American Derby, to be run next year on June 20th, will have its value increased by $5,000. The Washington Park Club, Chicago, will add in all $25,000 to the great classic, which will bring the total value of the race up close to $30,000.

Articles were signed yesterday for a twenty-round contest between Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Al Weinig. The men will meet in Buffalo, N. Y., on New Year's afternoon at catch-weights. The winner is to take all of the purse. O'Brien also has posted $2,500 to Weinig's $1,500 as a side bet.

The German steamer Saberia will sail from Hamburg for Venezuela December 23rd, taking a complete crew for the captured Venezuelan cruiser Restaurador, besides a large supply of ammunition and coal and a number of officers for the German squadron now in Venezuelan waters.

Rev. E. H. Mills, corresponding secretary of the Methodist Episcopal church thank offering fund, says that every dollar of the $20,000,000 called for three years ago has been raised in cash and pledges. More than half a million for educational purposes has been received within forty-five days.

— Kind Old Lady—You're the daintiest little boy in the whole crowd. How is it you keep your face so clean? Nisby Murphy—If I didn't me mudder 'd wash it.—*Judge.*

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Wanted—Two (2) good reliable men to sell Teas, Coffees, Spices, etc., in Wilmington and vicinity. Apply to W. L. Bissinger, No. 101 N. 6th St., Wilmington, N. C., or address Grand Union Tea Company, No. 3019 Washington Ave., Newport News, Va. dec 28 3t

A Match is all the kindling necessary for a Gas Radiator. Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co dec 28 1t

Wanted—Six more Salesladies at Kress' 5 and 10c Store at once. dec 21 tf

Wanted—A Farm on the seacoast containing from 50 to 300 acres. Address J. K. L., care STAR. dec 21 3t

Maine Christmas trees, Galix Leaves, Holly and Mistletoe, and a large assortment of Palms, Ferns and other plants for Christmas gifts; also Roses, Carnations, Violets and Lilies of the Valley, at Mrs. H. Rehder's. dec 19 2t fr su

Millinery Training School—I propose teaching a limited number of pupils the art of Millinery, consisting of Frame Work, Body Work, the artistic Blending of Colors, etc. All who wish to avail themselves of this opportunity please apply at once. Terms $10 00 per course, month of January, 1903. I will also do private trimmining after the 1st of January, 1903. Room No. 14 Masonic Temple. Night course $5. Madame L. Connelly, No. 7 South Fourth street, Wilmington, N. C. nov 30 1m su

Notice—The tug-boat LaChiquita having been sold by J. L. Russ to Peter Simpson, all persons having claims against said boat will present them to me within thirty days from the date of this notice. This the 18th day of December, 1902. Robert G. Grady. dec 19 30t

Wanted—A trustworthy gentleman or lady in each county to manage business for an old established house of solid financial standing. A straight, bona fide weekly salary of $15.00 paid by check each Wednesday with all expenses direct from headquarters. Money advanced for expenses. Manager, 350 Caxton Bldg., Chicago. dec 21m

Call at Winstead's for all kinds of foreign and domestic fruit; Bananas a specialty No. 218 Market and 215 North Front street. Bell Phones 203 and 637. oc 29 tf

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Besides Turkey to think of for Xmas. How about your best suit? Is it good enough to dine out with your friends in or for proper observance of the day? If not we will make you happy that there is an artist and swell tailor in town as F. H. Krahnke by the superb style and elegance that we will make your suit or overcoat in if you leave your order now.

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And the best thing of all, we have a big stock of Boys' Clothing that we bought at 25 per cent. less than value. An all wool suit, nicely made up, as low as $3.00 and up to $5.00; 500 suits to select from. In Boys' Pants, we have the best stock we have ever had, made from mill ends of American Woollen Company's cloths, every pair made with tape seams throughout and warranted not to rip. We sell them for 50c a pair. A nice line of Boys' White Laundried Waists at 50c; heavy Cheviot Waists at 25c each.

Ladies' ready-to-wear Hats—We are having a regular Hat sale; a very large line that we are selling at less than manufacturer's cost. Nice pretty hats at 48c; regular $1.50 hats for 75c and 89c; our $1 hats are $2 values. In this line we consider we are selling them at half-price.

Received to-day, a big line of birds and parrots—good black parrots 50c each; large birds are 69c and 98c each. In veilings we have lots of different styles; chiffon veilings with dots at 25c per yard, in all colors, pretty silk veiling for 10c per yard.

In ladies' Cloaks we have had a phenomenal success this season; we have carried the stock of the town. Just received, 21 new cloaks to-day. Our prices are what counts—when a customer gives us an opportunity to show our goods and make a price we never fail to make a sale.

We have good beaver coats in red, blue, tan and black, at $2.98. A line of black beaver coats in the newest shapes at $3 50; better coats at $5, $6 and up to $10 each.

In furs we are showing a nice assortment and selling them at the lowest prices. If you are thinking of buying a fur, come to see us—the prices run from $1 to $5 each.

Trunks and Valises—These make valuable presents. We have a nice line of very fine Trunks that would be a credit to give your friends. We have a line of the best roller tray Trunks, worth $9 to $15 each. Splendid canvas Trunks, with brass locks and heavy straps, at $3 and up to $5 each. Nice heavy leather Suit Cases for $6.95, regular $10 cases. Club Bags, all leather, from 85c to $4 each; imitation leather, from 29c to 98c; imitation leather Suit Cases for $1.50 each.

In our Men's Clothing Department our sales have been the best we have ever known. In this department we credit our great success to the style, quality and fit of our goods and the last and best feature is, we undersell our competitors. We can fit you in a suit anywhere from $1.98 to $12 50; we would like for you to look at them before you buy elsewhere. Men's Overcoats, we have all grades and kinds, all prices, from $3 to $12 50 each. We also have a line of Rubber Cloth ing; men's water-proof coats, rubber lined, at $1 50 each; Mackintoshes, with cape, at $1.39 each; Ladies' Gossamers at $2.50 and $3.50 each; a workingman's coat for rainy weather at $1.50 each; a doctor's or sea captain's coat, absolutely water proof, for $5.

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